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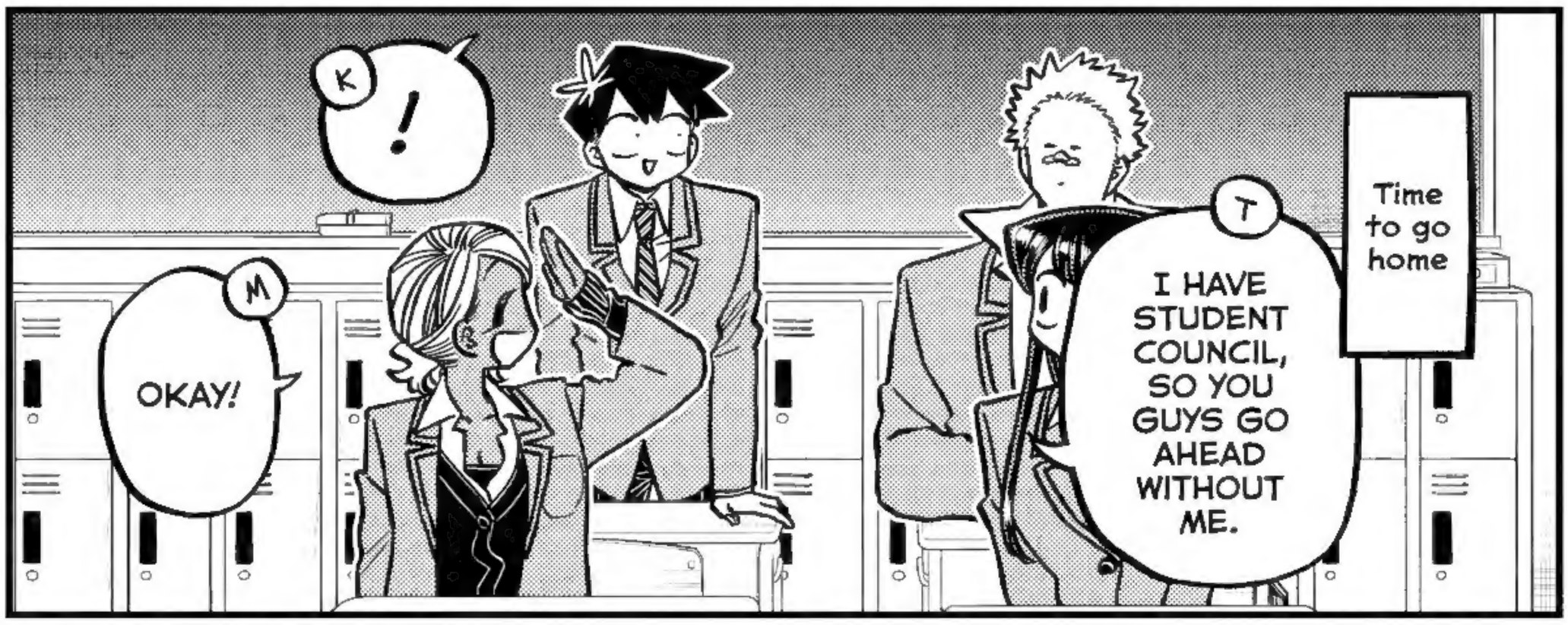
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OKAY!
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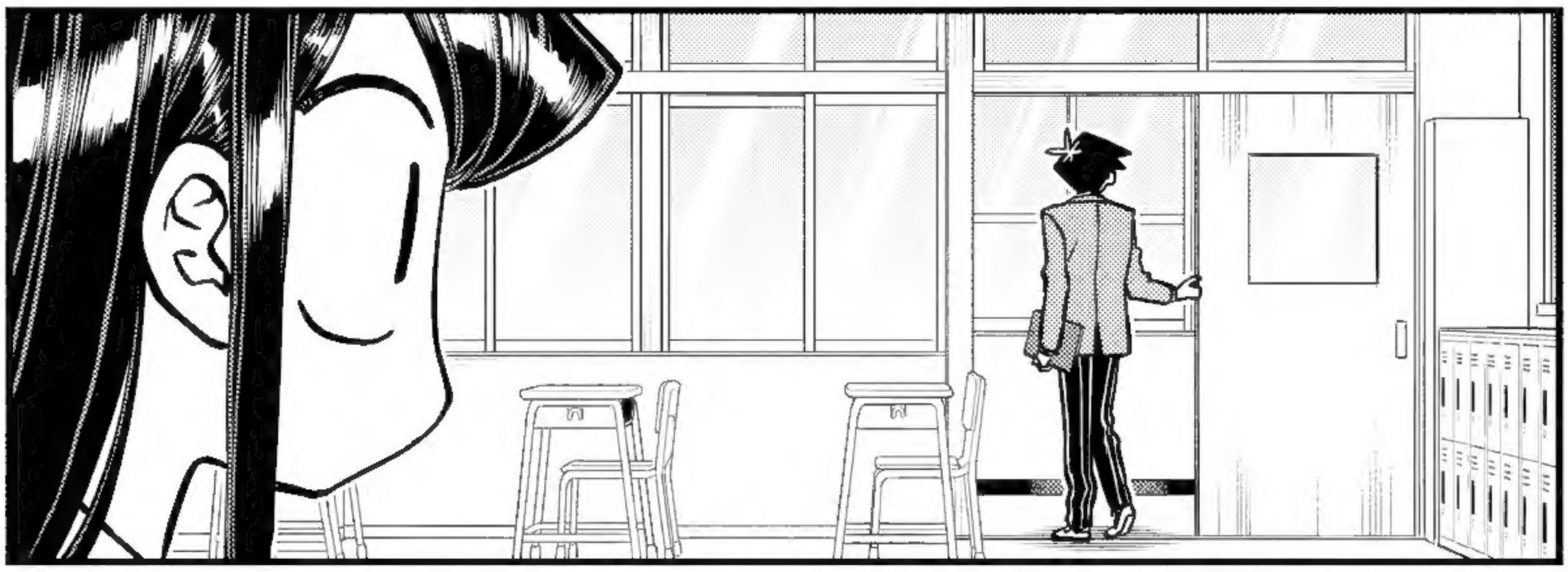
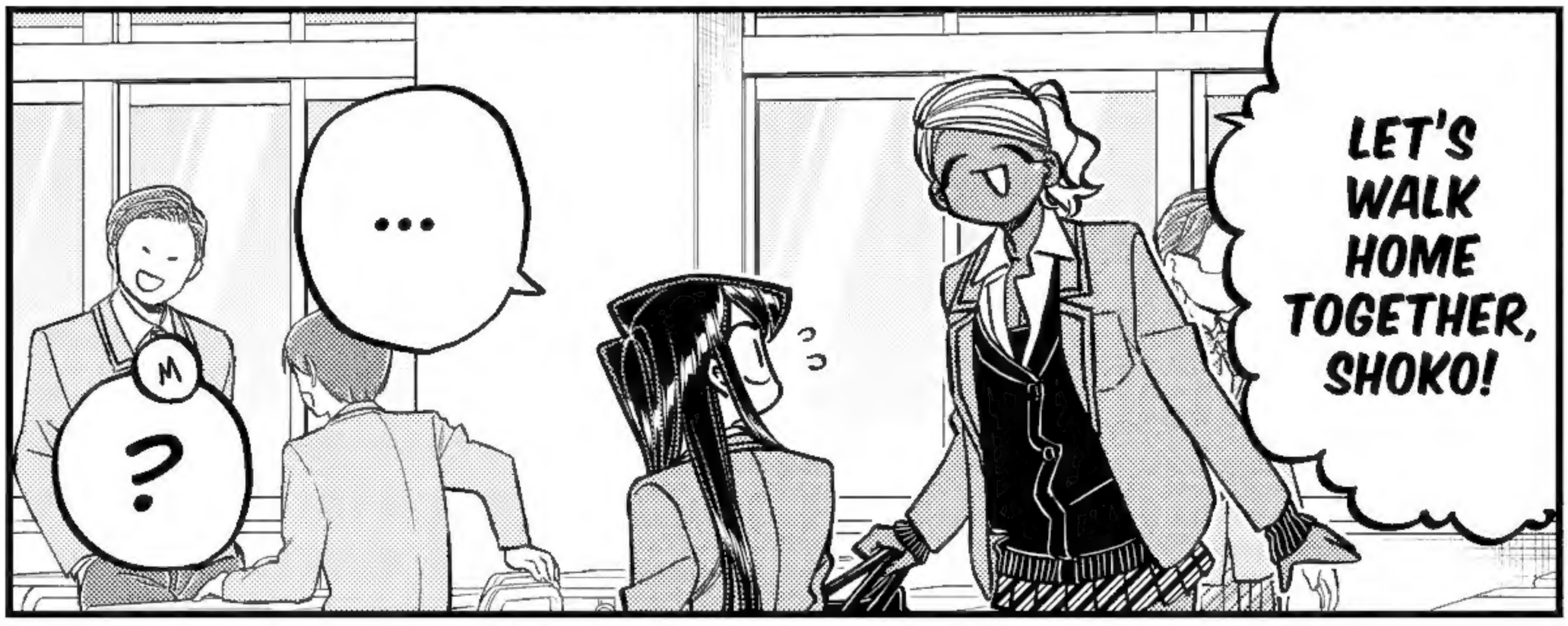
I HAVE STUDENT COUNCIL, SO YOU GUYS GO AHEAD WITHOUT ME.
Time to go home

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M
?
LET'S WALK HOME TOGETHER, SHOKO!

...

...HO-HO-O-O-O! (GUESSING WHAT'S UP)

OH...

...!!

...?!

SLAP SLAP

Doesn't know how to react

I HAVE STUDENT COUNCIL.

*Isako: Rumiko's nickname for Isagi.

SHIBBY! ISAKO! LET'S WALK TOGETH-ER!

SHLUF SHLUF SHLUF

THEN IT'S JUST US, BOYS!

S-SORRY!

OH. AND SHIBBY HAS CLUB?

?

PAT

PAT

...

K

?!

All the girls patted her.

PAT

PAT

PAT

PAT

PAT

PAT

PAT

PAT

PAT

PAT

PAT

ANYWAY, AREN'T YOU ON THE CLASS COUNCIL ?!

DRRRAG

N

GET A CLUE, NAJIMI!

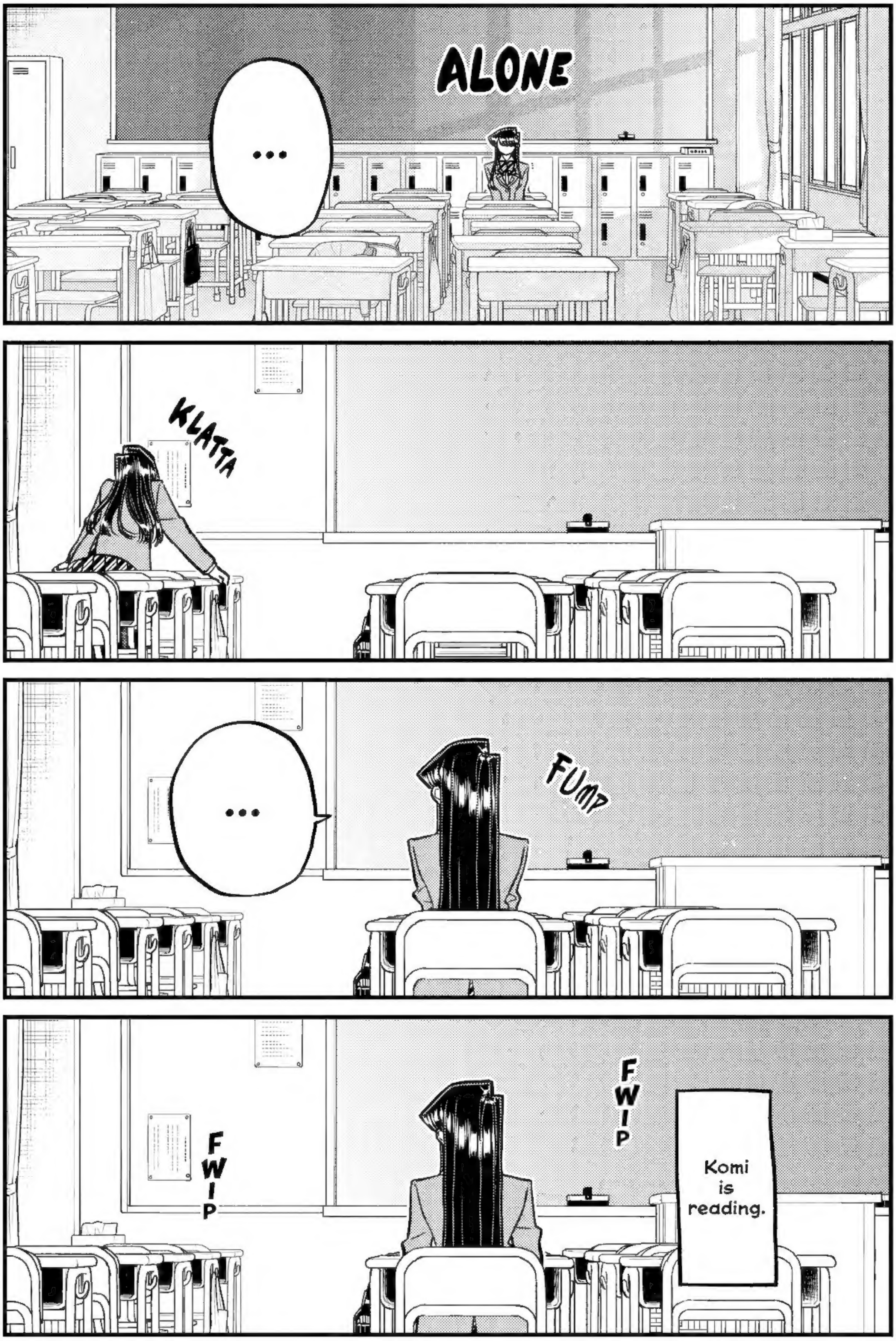
N

Komi! Why aren't you leaving?! Let's walk togetherrrr

rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr

?!!

K


ALONE
...
KLATTA
...
FUMP
FWIP
FWIP
Komi is reading.

BABEEEP

AH HA HA

YEAH ALL RIGHT

KLATTA

SHUF SHUF

...

Afraid her hair is messed up
She wants to go to the restroom but is afraid they'll miss each other.
WORRY
WORRY
WORRRY
WORRY
WORRREEEE
WORRY
WORRY
WORRRY

!
CHANCE
ENCOUNTER
OH...

HWOOSH
KOMI ?!
...HI, K—

?
?
EMO

RATTLE

...!

SWISH

FSHHHHHHH

I'LL PRETEND I DIDN'T SEE HER.

Pre-tending nothing happened

Embar-rassed because Tadano saw her leaving the restroom

...
NOD
UM, DID YOU NEED TO STAY AFTER SCHOOL?
...
NOD
OH, YOU WERE WAITING FOR ME?
...
UM, THANK YOU...
...FOR THAT.
...
SHALL WE...
...WALK HOME
...
...TO-GETHER ?

OR... MAYBE NOT?
...
!
NOD
...
...
PRIVATE

Can't look at her

...!!

...

...BUT NOW I'M NER-VOUS!

W-WE'VE WALKED HOME TOGETHER A LOT...

...RUNNING AWAY EARLIER.

!

UM, SORRY ABOUT...

...

?

Still pre-tending nothing happened

?!

...?

!!

OH! BY THE BATH-ROOM?!

YOU KNOW ...

...UM ...

THAT DIDN'T BOTHER ME AT ALL!

OOPS... SORRY.

...

...

...

AMBAMBAM

WARRIOR WOMAN

AAOOGA

A BEEFED-UP BICYCLE ?!

YOU WANNA END UP ROAD-KILL?!

COMIN' THROUGH! GET OUTTA THE WAY!

!
WHOA!
LRO
UM
...
WAP
...S-
SORRY
ABOUT
THAT.
...
...
...WE
COULD
...
...HOLD
HANDS?
UM...
...IF
YOU
WANTED
...

…

BECAUSE SOMEONE MIGHT SEE US!

…

…THAT'S EMBARRASSING, RIGHT?

BUT …

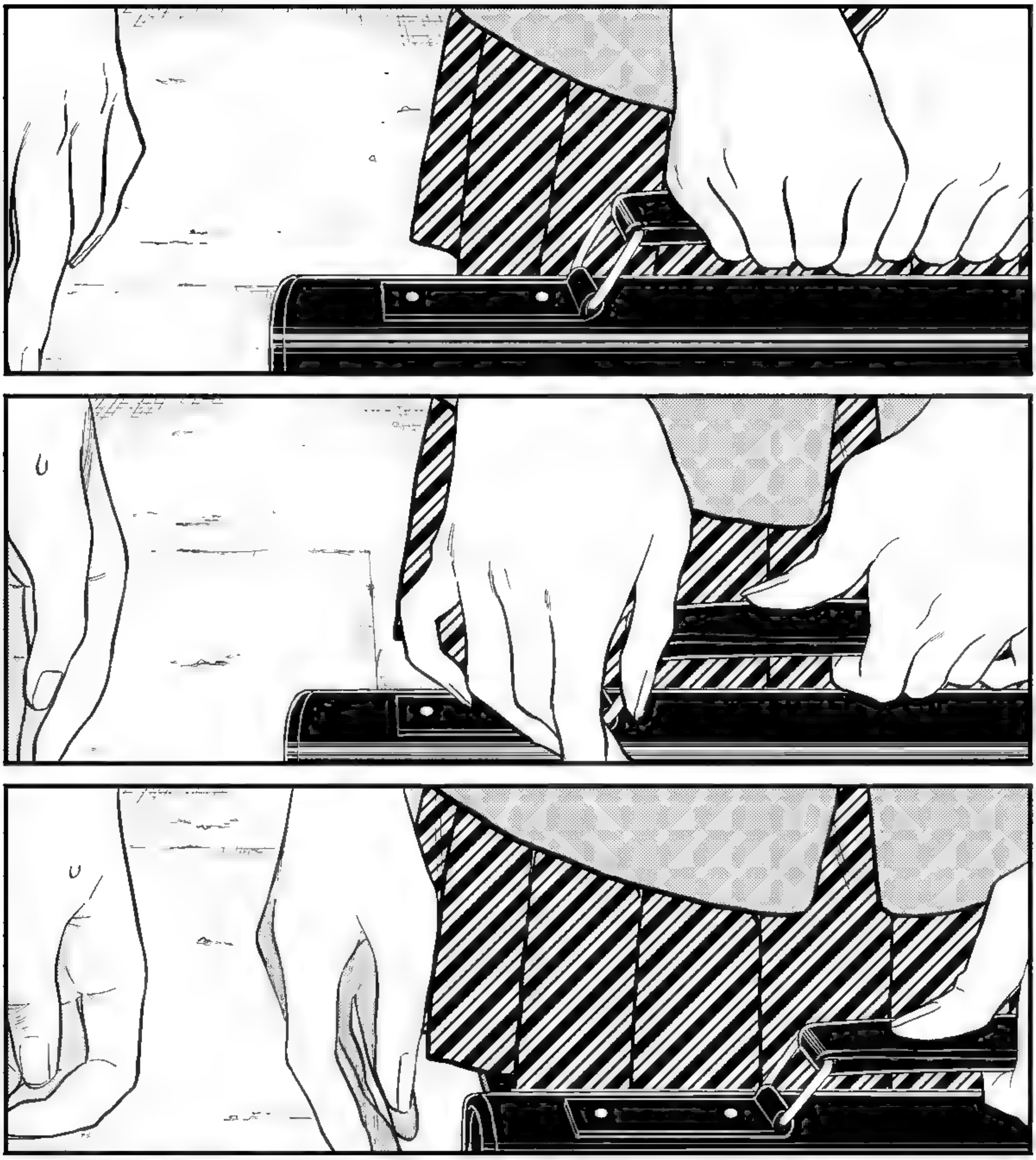
…

GLANCE

…?

…

Wants to hold hands



FWOOSH

?!!

...KIND OF FAST!!

Y- YOU'RE, UM...

!

!

KOMI ?!

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

...

She...

...and hates her...

Now maybe Tadano is disappointed...

...and he won't walk home with her tomorrow.

...because she's no good...

TREMMMBLE

TREMMMBLE

...and she couldn't look at his face...

...could barely say anything...

...or hold hands with him.

...and he saw her by the rest-room...

UM...

TREMMMBLE

!!

THIS IS WHERE WE PART WAYS.

...!

...LET'S DO THIS AGAIN TOMOR-ROW.

...Y-YOU WANT!

...ONLY IF...

B-BUT, UM...

NOD NOD

HPH

?!

...WOOOOOW!!

...is cute even with a commu-nication disorder.

OH

She...

HH HH ...

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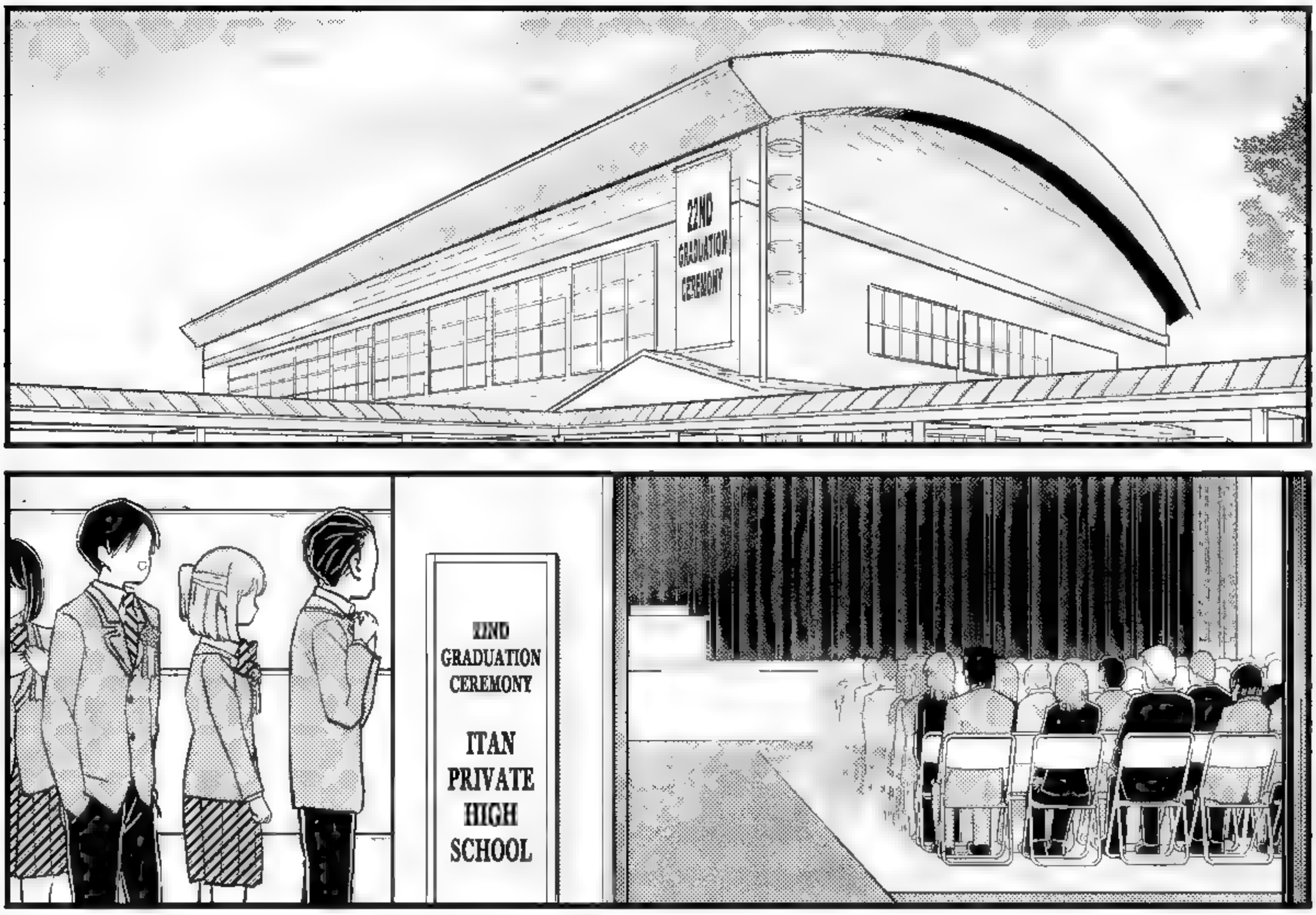
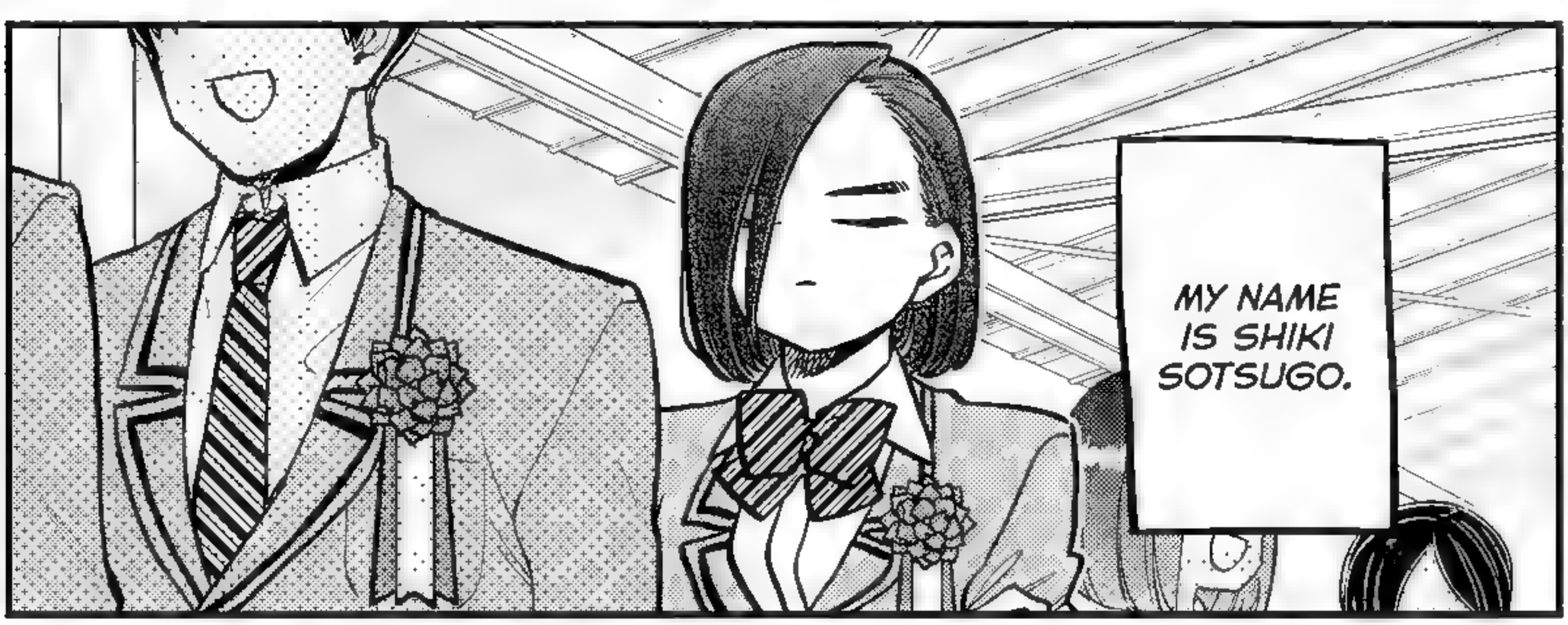
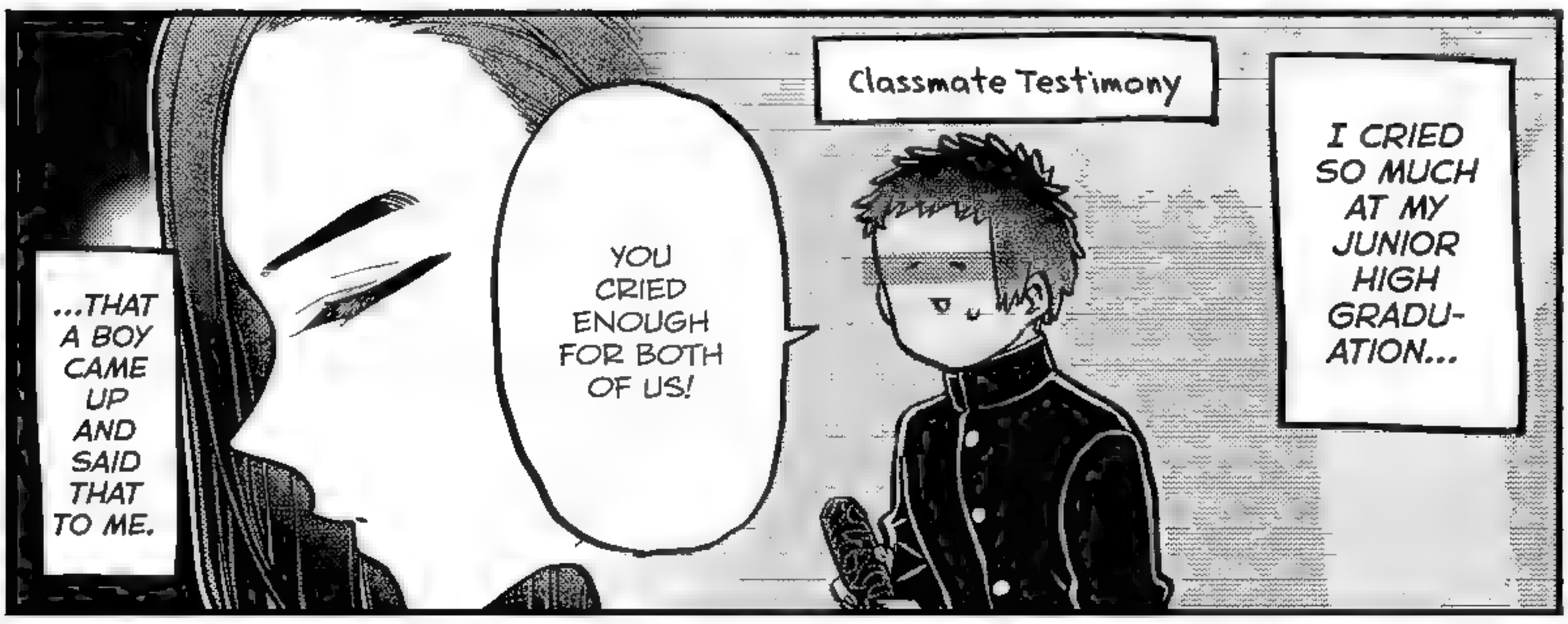





Classmate Testimony
I CRIED SO MUCH AT MY JUNIOR HIGH GRADU-ATION...
YOU CRIED ENOUGH FOR BOTH OF US!
...THAT A BOY CAME UP AND SAID THAT TO ME.

Communication 315: Happy Graduation

...AFTER THREE YEARS OF HIGH SCHOOL.

OH, HOW I'VE WAITED FOR THIS GRADU-ATION...

1409
1427
1423

AND SO ON.

Example

AND I COUNT PRIME NUMBERS WHEN PASSING SAKURA TREES.

I'm your teacher!!

GOMI IS GARBAGE

Example

I AVOIDED ALL ENTER-TAINMENT THAT FOCUSED ON SCHOOL LIFE.

Example

MY FIRST TWO YEARS, I SKIPPED THE GRADUATION REHEARSALS AND CEREMONY.

ALL THIS TIME, I'VE AVOIDED ANY POSSIBLE SPOILERS.

Sotsugo at this year's graduation rehearsal

SLAP SLAP SLAP SLAP SLAP

WHAT'S WRONG, SOTSUGO ?!

SLAP SLAP SLAP SLAP SLAP SLAP SLAP SLAP SLAP SLAP

NO! NO SPOIL-ERRRRRS-SSSS!

NOW FOR THE ATIONAL ITHEM

MY GRADUATION COMMENCES!

THE GRADUATING STUDENTS WILL NOW ENTER.

9:57: The graduates enter

CLAP

THIS FEELS AMAZ-ING!

A BIG HAND FOR THE GRADUATES!

HWUP

WHEW!

EVERYONE, RISE.

10:00: Opening comments

HERE IT COMES!

WE WILL NOW BEGIN ITAN PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL'S 22ND GRADUATION.

Same time: The national anthem

I'M ALREADY BREAKING DOWN!

CHOKE

GASP

...!

MA...

...UR...

...UR REIGN...

10:05: Awarding of diplomas

PHEW... SO FAR, SO GOOD!

HERE!

SHIKI SOTSUGO ...

KA-TA

BLUBBER

PLIP

PLIP

PLIP

Uncon-trollable weeping

COME ON, HANG IN THERE ...

YOU'RE DOING GOOD!

YES...THIS IS AWESOME! GRADUATION IS AWESOME!

PHEEW!

SNIFF

10:40: Principal's address

AT THE FIRST BREATH OF SPRING...

...THE TREES OPEN THEIR BUDS ON THIS GLORIOUS DAY...

HM?

CHAKKA BOOM CHAKKA BOOM CLANG

WHA-AAH?!!

TA-DOOM

BAM BABOMP

THERE WAS A DISRUP-TION LAST YEAR TOO?!

A *DANCE*, HUH? LAST YEAR WAS IMPROV.

PRIN-CIPAL ?!

N-NEVER SURRENDER!

YO, CHECK IT OUT!

YO!

YO!

UM, PRIN-CIPAL ?

NOW YOU GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL AND FLY THE NEST TO EMBARK UPON THE NEXT STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT AS UNIVERSITY STUDENTS OR HARDWORKING MEMBERS OF SOCIETY RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN LIVES. ♪

ANDO'S SUCKY ROBOT DANCE?!

VREEN

WHIRRRRRRRRR

THERE IT IS! ANDO'S SUCKY ROBOT DANCE!!

YAAAAY

DADUMMMMMMM

...REPRESENT DA NEW GENERATION! ♪

TODAY'S THIRD-YEAR GRADUATES... ♪

KYA

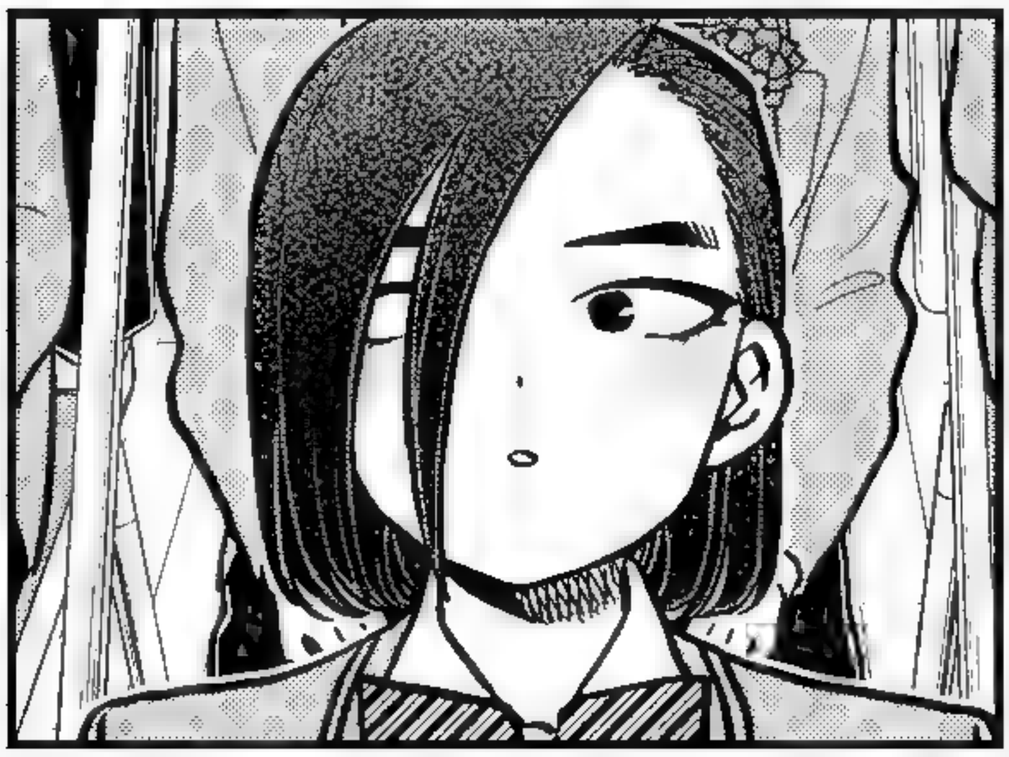
Prob-ably hers

HA

YAAAAAY

WHOSE IDEA WAS THIS?!

10:50: Farewell address



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...

...

Exiting

?!

?!

*Auditory hallu-cination.

SNIFF SNIFF

OH MY JOY...

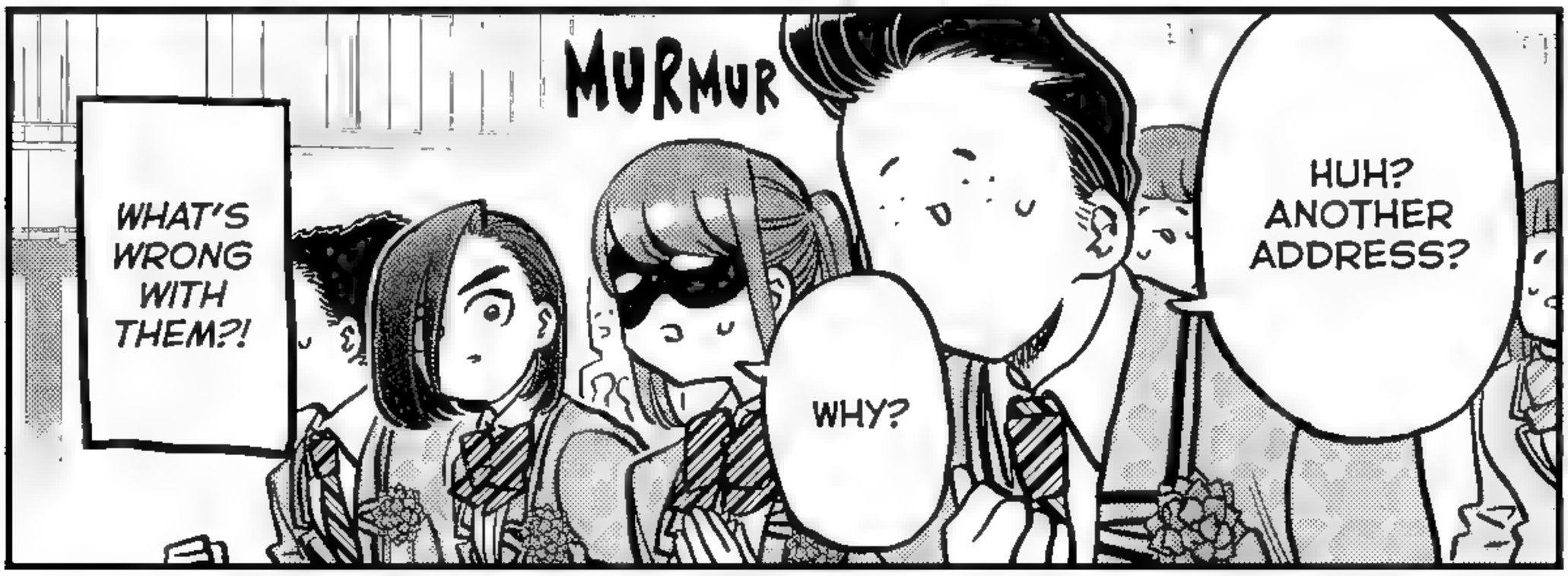
SOB

SOB

THAT WAS SO MOVING ...

?
?

PHEW...
THIS IS MUCH BETTER! NOW I CAN CRY!
PHEW
THE IRON GRIP OF WINTER RELENTS AND...


WHAT'S WRONG WITH THEM?!
MURMUR
WHY?
HUH? ANOTHER ADDRESS?

NUH-UH! NOT SO FAST!!!

THANK YOU.

CHIKA NETSUNO WILL DELIVER THE RESPONSE.

DON'T INTER-RUPT, ICHO!

DA DUMMM

EVEN A TOTAL OUTSIDER LIKE ME BELIEVES THAT SETOKA ICHO, WHO SERVED AS STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR TWO YEARS AND REPRESENTED HER CLASS IN HER THIRD YEAR, SHOULD OFFER THE FAREWELL ADDRESS TO THE GRADUATES, SO WHADDAYA SAY?!

I RATE YOUR ENTHU-SIASM ...

BUT I WANNA DO IT! I WANNA, I WANNA!!

NETSUNO'S BETTER!

GET LOST!

IT'S FUN TO LIVEN UP GRADUATION, BUT ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!

DON'T ENCOURAGE HER, NETSUNO!!

POI

...2,000 DEGREES!

I'LL ARM WRESTLE YOU FOR IT!!

SHIN

AH

AS SPRING ARRIVES, THE SUNLIGHT GROWS STRONGER DAY BY DAY TO SHINE UPON...

...THE ULTIMATE ARM WRESTLING MATCH! THIS IS THE 22ND ITAN PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA CUP!!

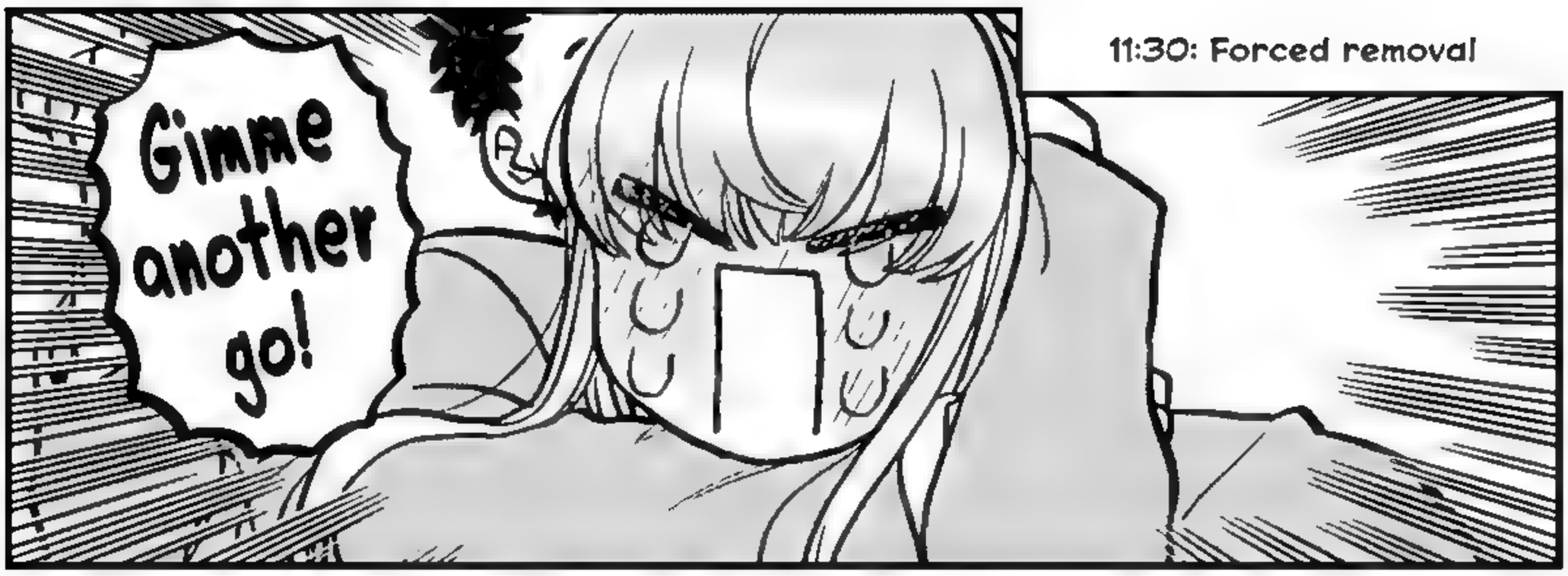
WHIRRRRRRRR

MY POOR GRADUATION...

YAAAAY

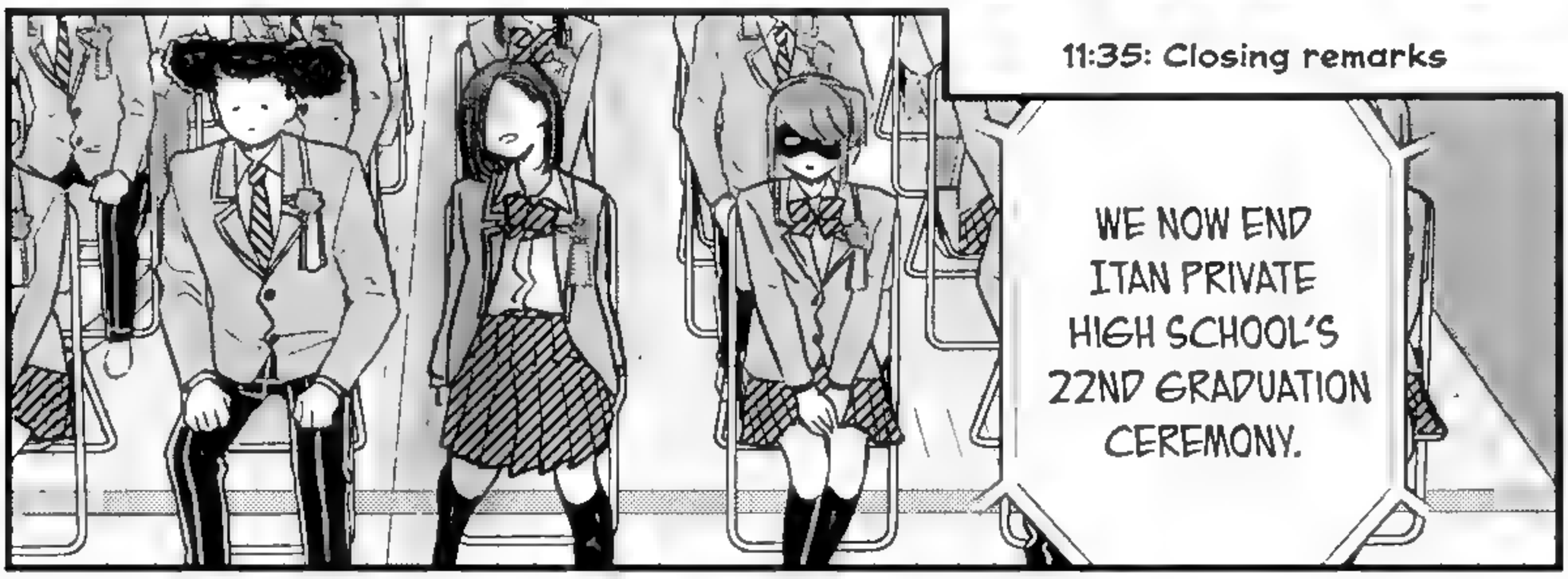
CHIKAAA! NETSUNOOO!

IN THE RED CORNER! THE ATHLETE WHOSE ENTHUSIASM IS SO HOT SHE NEEDS TO WEAR A THERMOMETER!



11:30: Forced removal

Meanwhile, the school song (death metal version)



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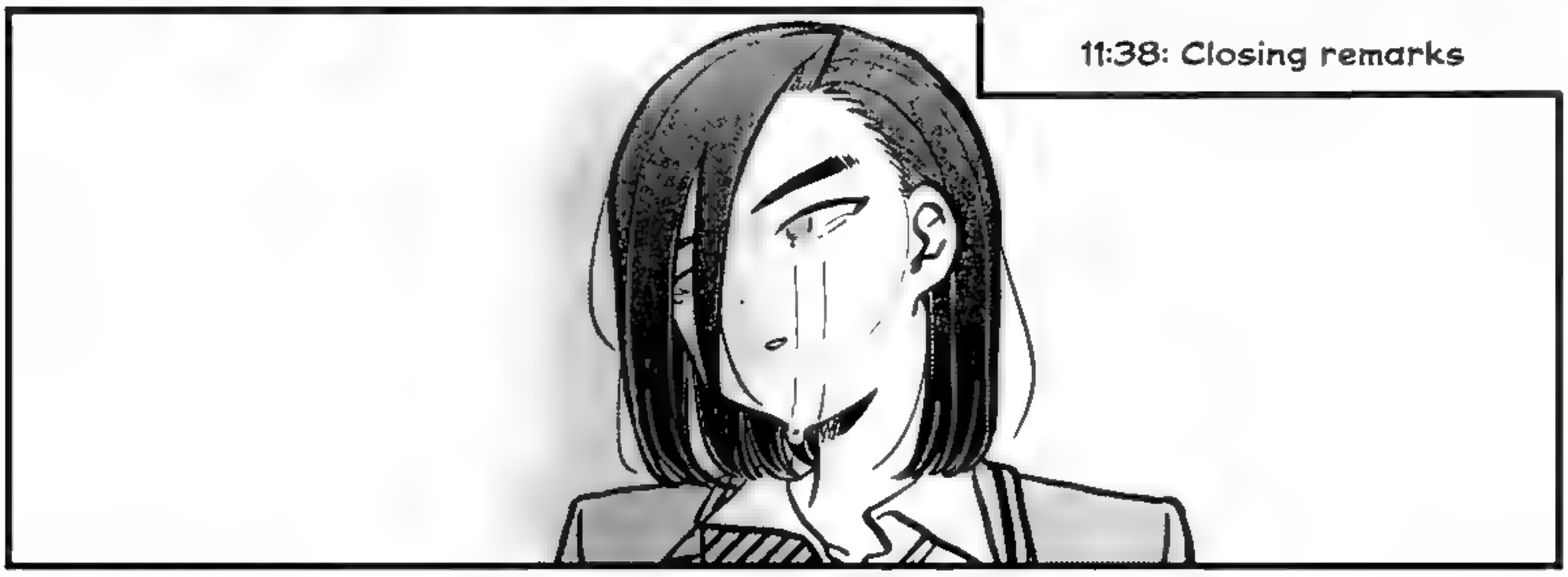


11:38: Closing remarks

11:40: Remaining students exit

11:50: Parents exit

12:00: Farewell to graduates

22ND GRADUATION CEREMONY

ITAN PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL

...!

THAT WAS THE *WORST* GRADUA-TION...

IT TOTALLY WAS!!

I KNOW!

...!

...BUT IT HAD YOUR STYLE.

NOW I PASS THE BATON TO *YOU.*

...STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT! ♪

GR

IN

SHOW 'EM WHO'S BOSS...

PAT

YOU GOT SOME IN MY EYES!!

SQUIRT

Anti-bac-terial spray

I'LL DO THAT.

...

What's she doing now?

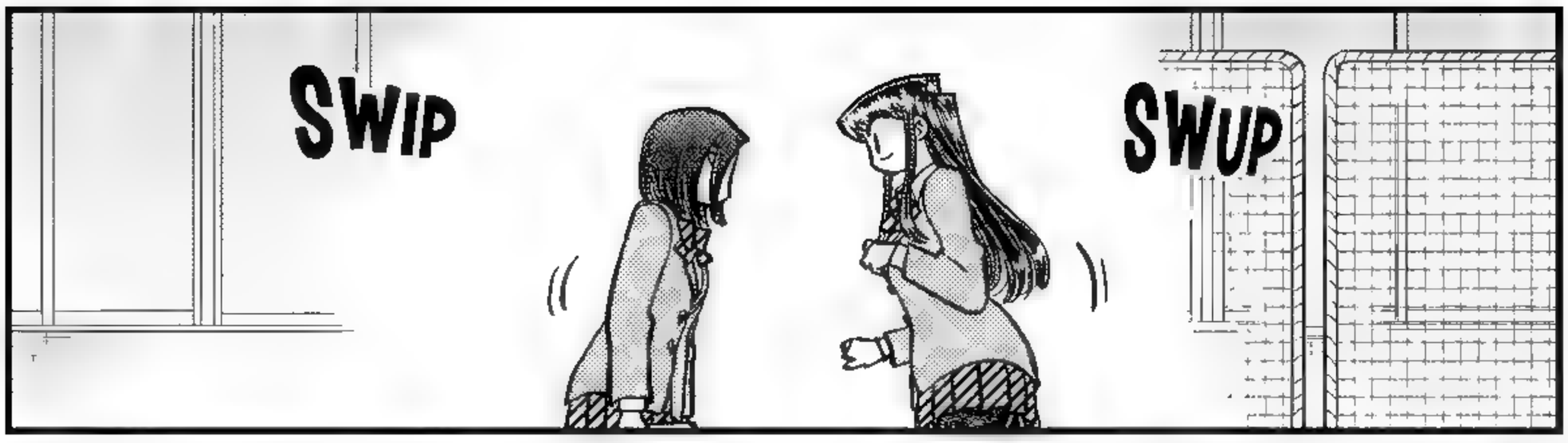
AH HA HA

Aiee!! It stings!!!

...!

TROT TROT TROT

I'M GOING HOME.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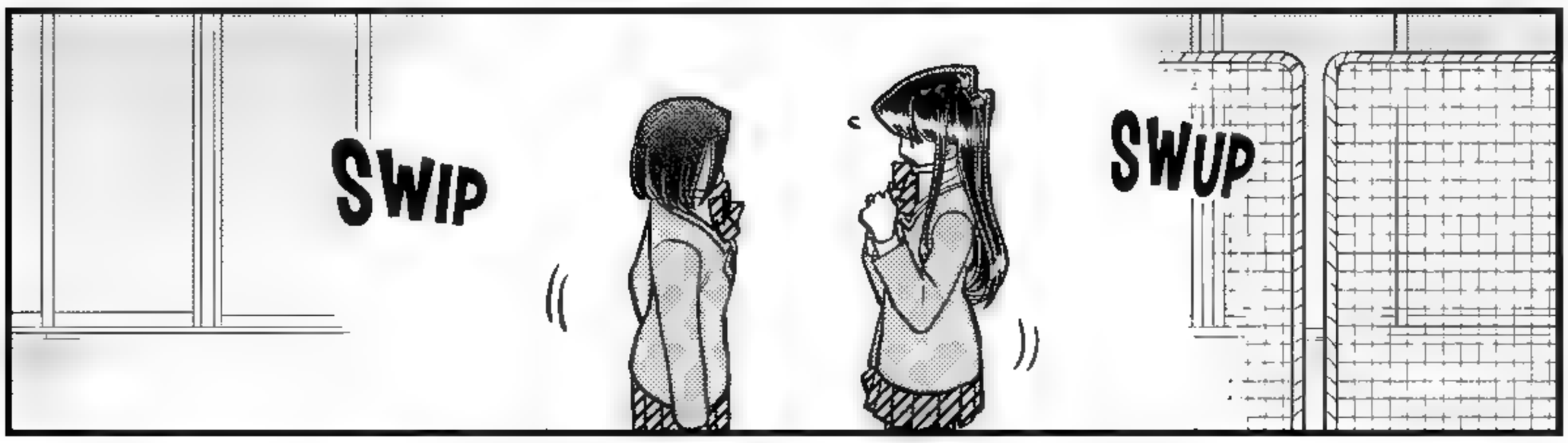
SWUP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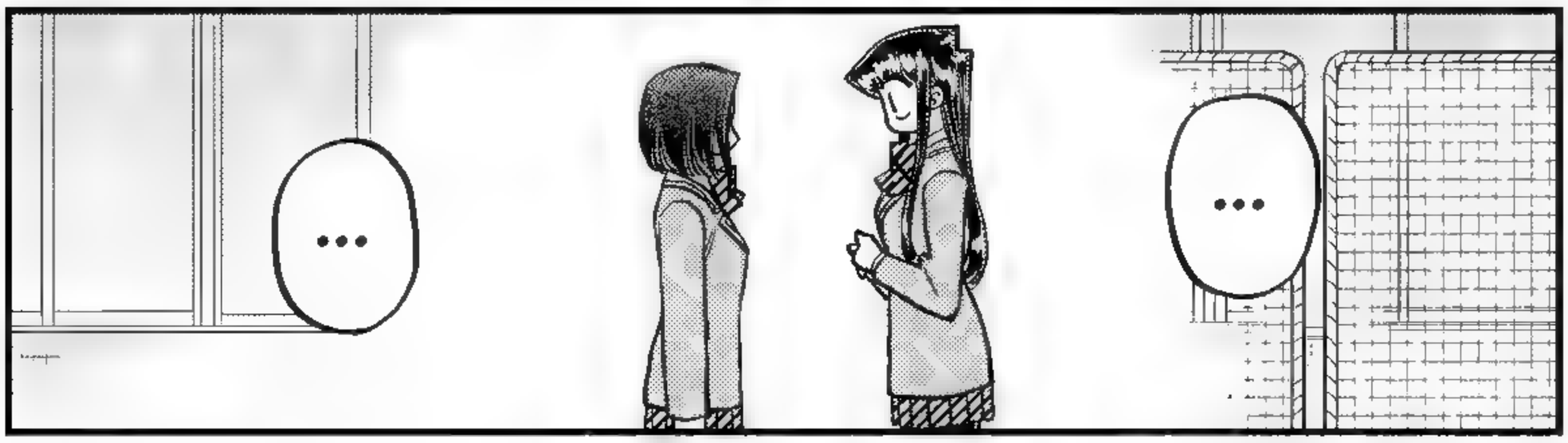
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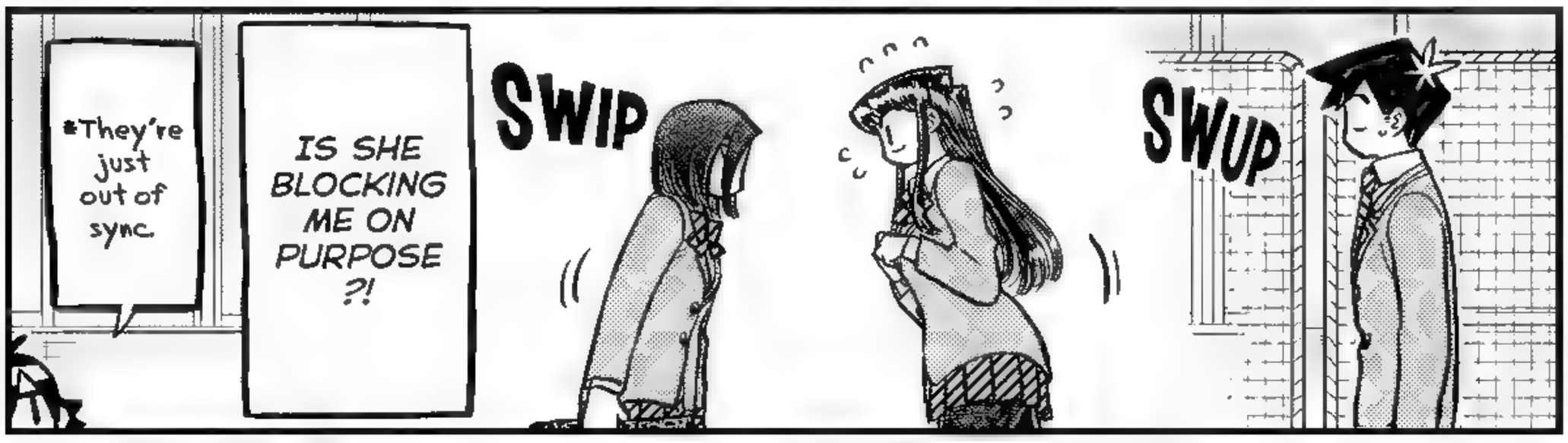
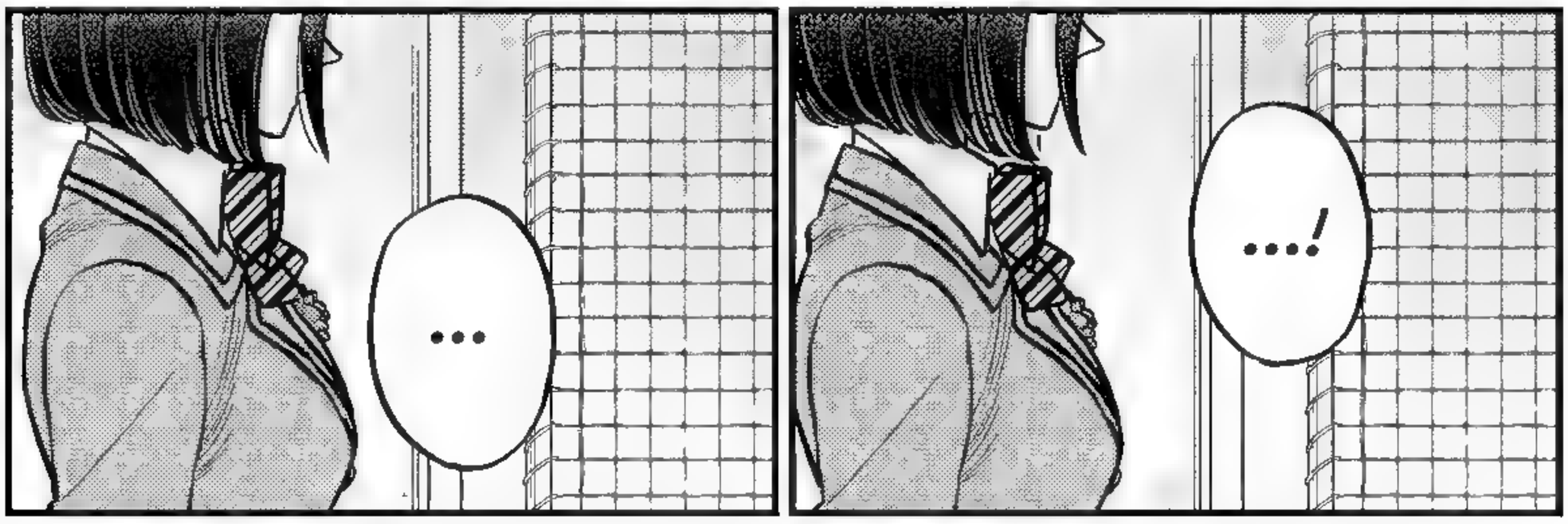

*They're just out of sync.
IS SHE BLOCKING ME ON PURPOSE ?!
SWIP
SWUP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...!

?!

I HATE THIS!

I WANNA STAY HERE WITH EVERY-BODY!!

?!

GRARRRRRRRR

NONONONONONO

I DON'T WANNA GRADUATE! I LOVED THIS SCHOOL!!

PLIP

DASH DASH DASH DASH DASH DASH DASH DASH

HUH?

SOTSU-GOOOO!

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Valentine's Day at Kisai High School

...

...

HE'S SUCH A CUTIE! ♥

I CAN'T DO IT!

?!

HEADBUTT

I'M A COW-ARD!!

WHOA !!

BADUMMP

NIJU-KYURO! HAVE A DARS CHOCOLATE BAR!

WHAH ?!

BADUMP

SanjuroKuro Yamada just passing by

DRIP DRIP

HERE. TAKE THIS.

TLI MP

White Day

HI! I'M SANJUROKURO YAMADA, THE BOY WHO GOT TWO GIFTS OF CHOCOLATE ON VALENTINE'S DAY!!

SO I, SANJUROKURO, HAVE PREPARED RETURN GIFTS!

TODAY IS WHITE DAY!

*He over-did it.

Bracelets with birth-tones

I SAW THAT IN A MANGA ONCE!!

...I SHALL DEVOTE MYSELF TO THEM BOTH!

WHICH GIRL WILL I, SANJUROKURO, CHOOSE? WELL, I'VE THOUGHT IT OVER AND...

HM? I GAVE YOU CHOCO-LATE?

HUNH? FORGET IT.

The End

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Shosuke's Valentine's Day

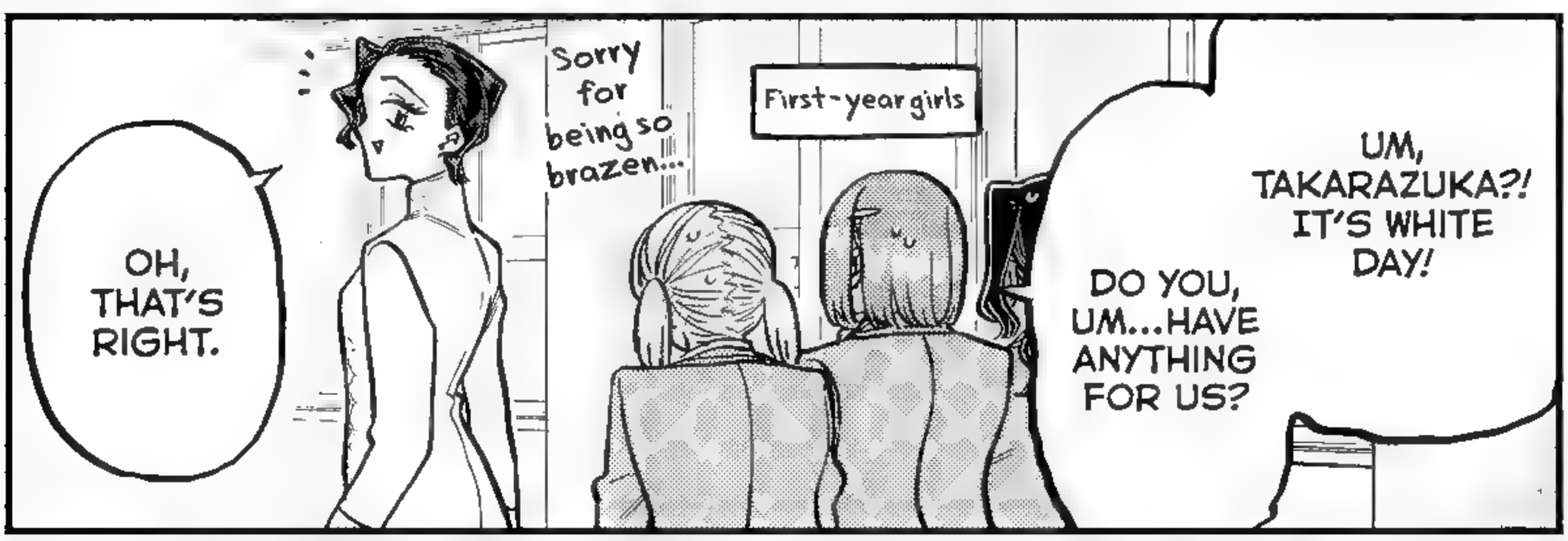
White Day counter-measures are already in effect (thanks to Hitomi).

NOTICE!
DON'T EXPECT ANYTHING IN RETURN.

SHOSUKE'S CHOCOLATE BOX

THANK YOU.

Takarazuka's Return Gift (a perfect example)



Toro's Return Gift (a not-so-good example)

...

Gave chocolate to her on Valentine's Day

HEH HEH...

UM, TORO? ANY-THING... FOR US, BY CHANCE?

...

...

DID SHE JUST SIGH?!

WHEW...

BABU

*Cost— 20 cents each.

IT'S HAND-MADE!

Store-bought and rewrap-ped

I'M BURNING UP...

Naruse's Return Gift (beware the Hannya)

...

...

G-GOT IT!

OH, R-RIGHT!

THAT'S THE PRES-ENT.

LOOK AT ME AS MUCH AS YOU WANT.

...

...

E=mo²

PONkPONkPONkPONk

TSUNDERE!

...BUT IT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING, OKAY?!

H-HERE ...

J-JUST TAKE IT ALREADY!

Classmates

HE'S SUCH A MOM!

SWEETS? NO THANKS! I'LL GAIN WEIGHT!

Gave choco-late to everyone in class

VEGETABLE CHIPS

HENO-HENO

Classmates

HE'S SUCH A MOM!

HENO-HENO BRAND?! I LOVE THOSE!

OOH! VEGETABLE CHIPS?!

Classmates

HE'S SUCH A MOM!

OR ARE YOU EATING TOO MUCH JUNK FOOD?

DO YOU GET ENOUGH VEG-GIES?

Classmates

HE'S SUCH A MOM!

UMPH!

I'LL MAKE BARLEY TEA. WANT SOME?

D-DON'T CALL ME MOM!

I DIDN'T DO THIS FOR YOU, MOM!

WHY DO I LIKE THIS GUY?!

Shiota's and Oki's Return Gifts (at the local elementary school)

!

Col-ored pen

HERE! I PICKED A COLOR YOU'LL LIKE!

THANKS!

WOW, PRETTY!

...

YEAH.

ALL RIGHT, LET'S GO.

HOW SWEET...
BUT I KINDA LIKE THAT ABOUT HIM.
I BET THIS GUY DIDN'T PREPARE ANYTHING!
HM? UH, YEAH. CUZ IT'S MARCH.
IT'S COLD OUT TODAY.
FW

YOU CAN RETURN IT LATER.

...!

YEAH, OKAY.

E=mc²

OKI! LET'S PLAY EINZEL-GÄNGER FELL DOWN!

AW, YEAH!

WHAT THE?!

Einzelgänger rolls around inside a Stravivarius!!

Inui's Return Gift (with the usual fighting)

HUNH ?!

HMPH!

HUNH?!

WELL, IT'S WHITE DAY, ISN'T IT?!

LET'S BREAK THIS DOWN!!

TO PUT RUMIKO IN THE MOOD!!

DOOFUS! THAT WAS AN ACT!

Emo²

You don't have to read all this!!

HAVING NEVER GOTTEN ALONG SINCE THEY WERE SMALL CHILDREN, THE SWELLING OF EMOTION WAS A SHOCK TO BOTH OF THEM!

GOOD JOB IF YOU READ ALL THIS!

INUI AND SARUTAHIKO WERE STAKING OUT THE MAIN GATE WHEN THEY SAW RUMIKO AND TADANO APPROACHING! FEARING THAT RUMIKO MIGHT CHICKEN OUT, THEY DECIDED TO FAKE (?) A VALENTINE'S DAY SCENE TO GIVE HER COURAGE! IMAGINE INUI'S SURPRISE WHEN HE REALIZED SARUTAHIKO HAPPENED TO HAVE CHOCOLATE WITH HER!

THIS CRUCIAL MOMENT OCCURRED WHEN STUDENTS WHO WERE WORRIED ABOUT RUMIKO AND TADANO STATIONED THEMSELVES IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SPYING!

Minori Aizawa

HI! I'M FIRST-YEAR STUDENT AIZAWA, AND I'LL PROVIDE TODAY'S COMMENTARY! ON VALENTINE'S DAY, SARUTAHIKO GAVE INUI CHOCOLATE! AH, HERE'S THE KEY SCENE!

I WILL!
KEH
DON'T WANT IT? THEN THROW IT AWAY!
...
HUG
...
...

Tadano's Return Gift

FUMP

!!

SRSLY?

HUH? IS THAT ALL SHOKO GETS?

...WE COULD GO PICK IT OUT TOGETHER.

!

...SO I THOUGHT ...

WELL, I THOUGHT I'D HANDLE THAT LATER!

...UM ...

I DON'T HAVE ANY GOOD IDEAS...

!!

A FREAK-ING DATE!!

Um, not so loud ...

THAT SOUNDS LIKE A DATE.

SWUF SWUF

!

...but she isn't rejecting the idea!

SWUF SWUF

Wants to say she doesn't need anything else...

GLANCE

!

...

NOD

Yamai is here.

TCH!

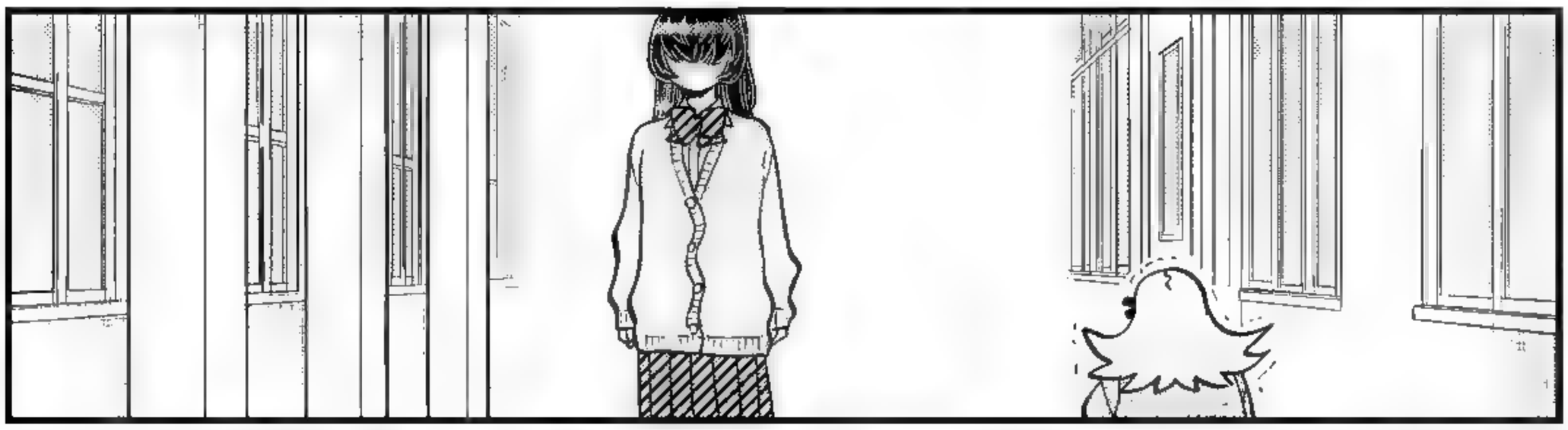
?!

Classmates

RAAAAAAAR

?!

YA AA AA AY !!



FWOOO

Find all the Emoyama stickers in this chapter! There are five!

They look like this. → $E=mc^2$

WHITE DAY IS OVER-WHELMING !!

Emoyama absorbed all the major feels.

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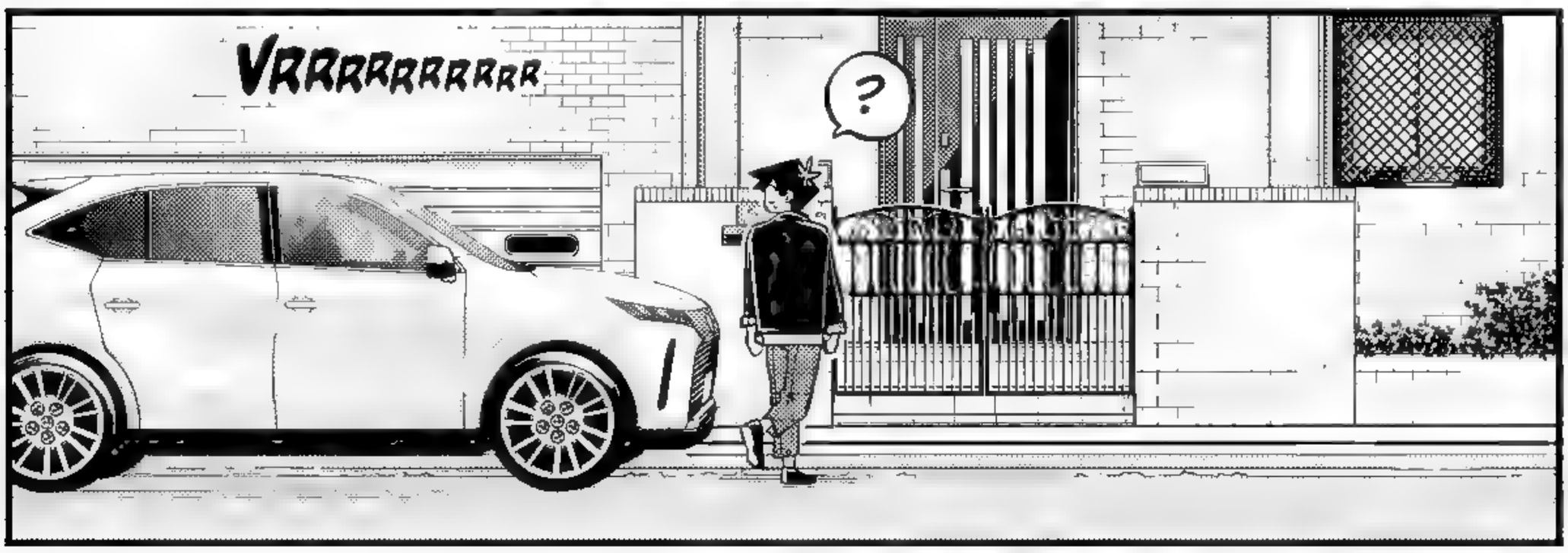
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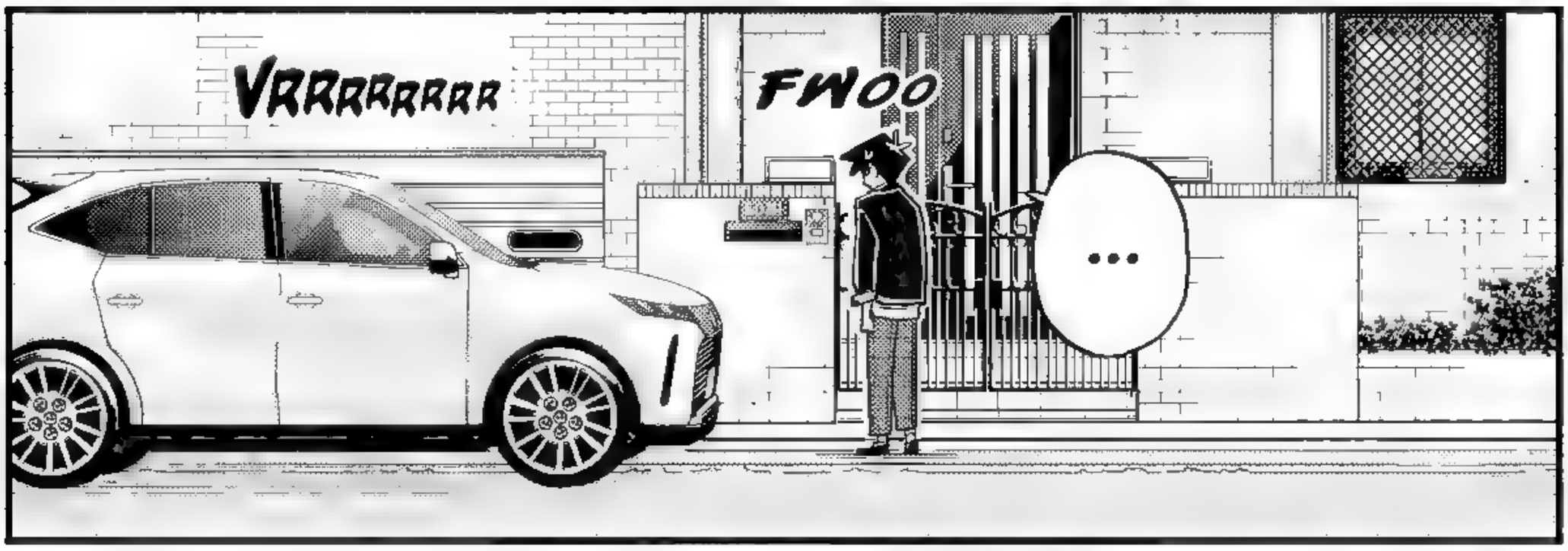
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FWOO
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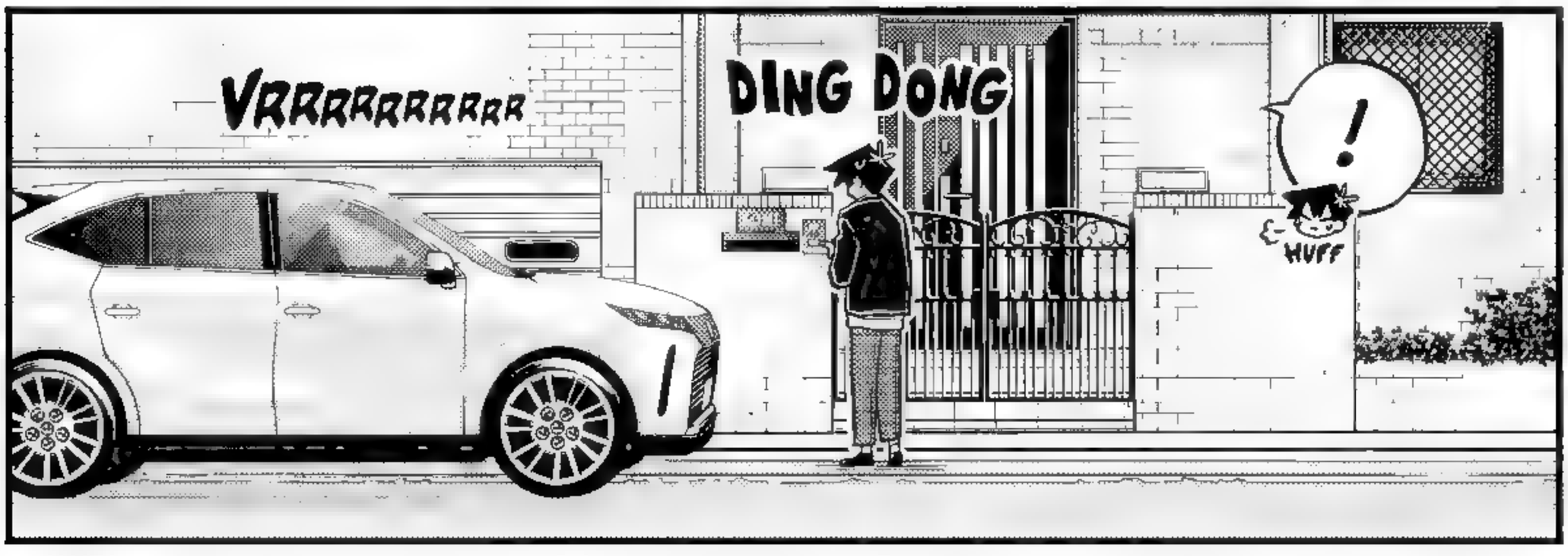

VRRRRRRRRRR
DING DONG
!
HUFF

Komi Can't Communicate

TMP
TMP
TMP
SHOOOO-
KO!
KOMI
UM, THANK YOU.
YES? OH, TADANO! HOLD ON! I'LL CALL SHOKO!

...
KOMI
...

KICK!

?!

Masayoshi Komi (Komi's dad)

GRAB

STOMP

UM... GOOD MORNING.

IT'S, UH... BEEN A WHILE.

STOMP STOMP STOMP STOMP STOMP

?!

?!

STOMP STOMP STOMP STOMP STOMP STO

VRRRRRRRR

SHUV SHUV

HUH? UM...

VRRRRRRRRRR

SHUV SHUV SHUV

...AGH!!

UM, BUT...

Front seat

?!

SLAM

Back seat

?!

UM...

...WHAT'S GOING ON?!

RATTLE CLINK

SLAM

!

SLIDE

EX-CUSE ME, BUT...

...

?!

VRRRRR

TWITCH

!!

...TODAY I HAVE A DATE WITH KO—I MEAN WITH SHOKO.

OOOM
VROOO
VROOM
VROOM
OOOOOSH
VRRRRRRR
???
Wondering if this boy is good enough for his daughter
VWOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOSH

Komi Can't Communicate

...
...
...
T
?!

Marine Shangri-La (aquarium theme park), Hakkeyoi Island

I HAVEN'T BEEN HERE IN A WHILE.

Ticket counter

THREE ADULTS, PLEASE.

Gee, thanks!

...which would demon-strate poor character

RRRMMMMMMM

Wondering if Tadano intends to let the older man pay for him...

*Mr. Komi's imagination.

UM, I CAN PAY FOR MYSELF.

!

TA-TUMP

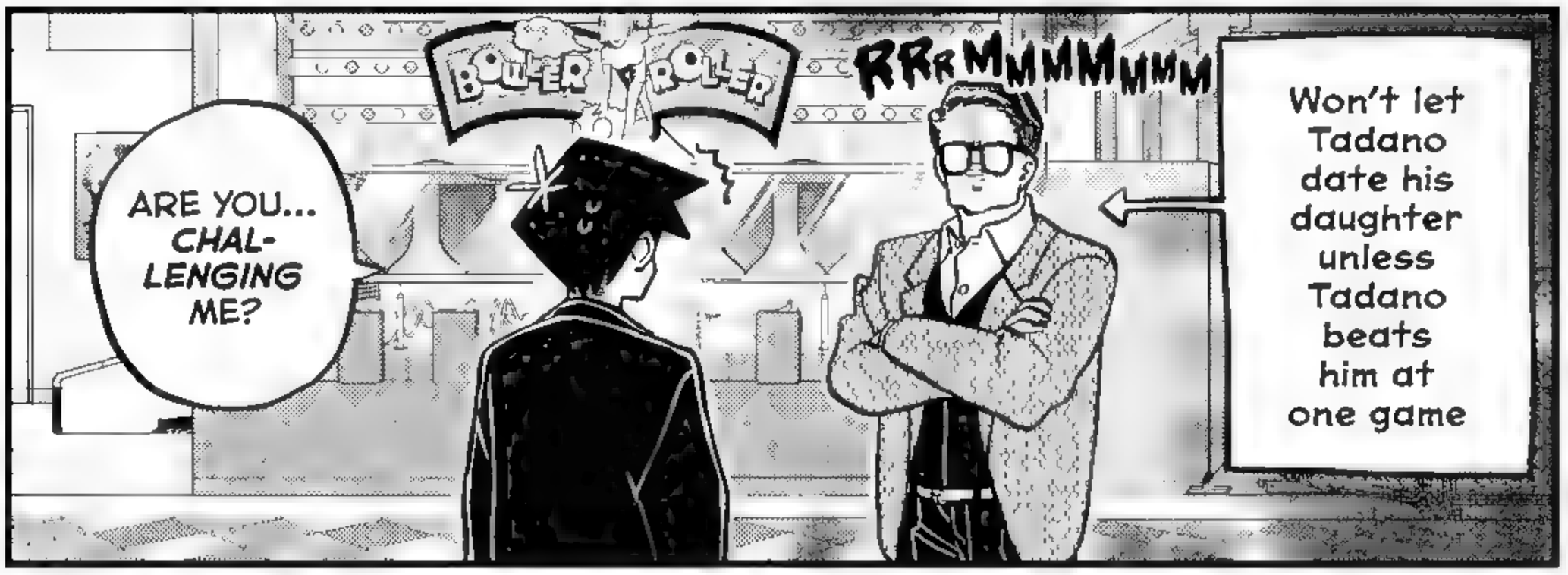
HMPH

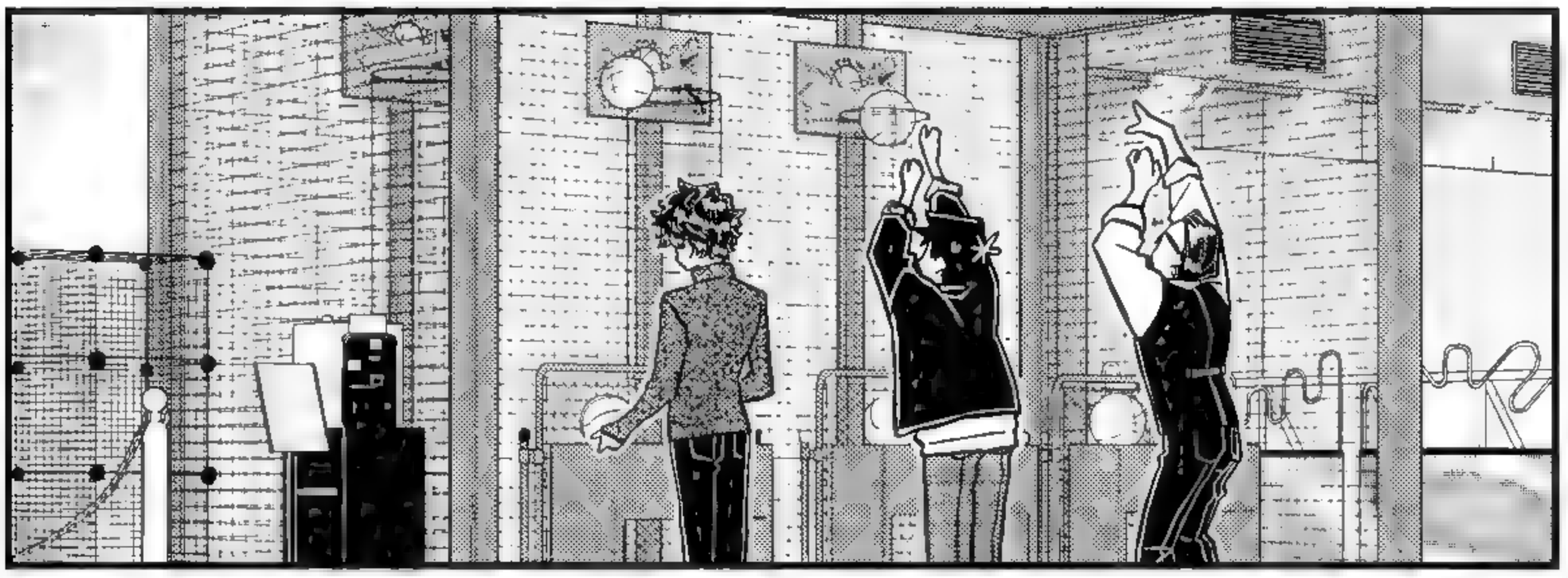
Oh... thank you.

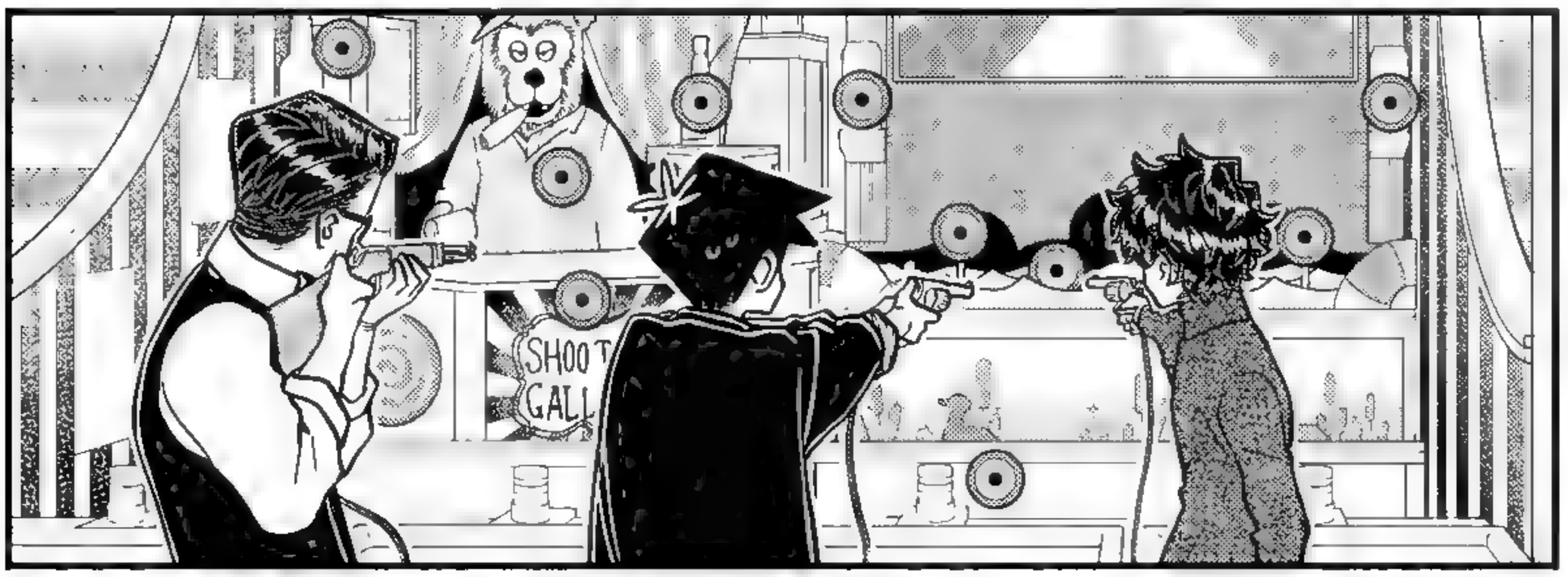
Chal-lenge 1: clear!

I've never been here before.

Western Game-land


ROLLER
RRRMMMMMMMM
ARE YOU... CHAL-LENGING ME?
Won't let Tadano date his daughter unless Tadano beats him at one game




SHOOT
GALL

Won every-thing
RRRM MMMM
Now suspects Tadano isn't good enough
OOF

EMOTIONAL
over Tadano calling him by name
Masayoshi Komi
I CAN'T CALL HIM "DAD," AND CALLING HIM "KOMI" IS SO WEIRD, SO...
KOMI'S ATHLET-ICISM MUST COME FROM ...
...YOU, MASAYOSHI!

Chal-lenge 2: Clear !!
?
HMPH
OOPS!
BABMP BABMP
OOPS!

GACK

Won every-thing (against Tadano)

!!

YOU'RE FAST, SHOSUKE!

COWBOYS WELCOME

Shocker game

Actually, Shosuke was best at every-thing.

MARINE MUSEUM

Marine Museum

!

BLAH BLAH BLAH

BLAH

BLAH

THAT SQUARESPOT FAIRY BASSLET IS A FEMALE, SO IT CAN TRANSFORM INTO A MALE.

THAT'S A YELLOW TANG, AND THOSE ARE FLAME ANGELFISH, BLACKBACK BUTTER-FLYFISH, ARABIAN ANGELFISH, BLUEFACE ANGELFISH, AND SEMICIRCLE ANGELFISH.

BLAH BLAH BLAH

BLAH BLAH

EVEN THOUGH WHALE SHARKS ARE CALLED SHARKS, THEY MOSTLY ONLY EAT PLANKTON AND SMALL FISH.

SALMON ARE A WHITE FISH, BUT—

SOMETIMES SHARKS SWALLOW THEIR OWN TEETH AND GET AN UPSET STOMACH. BUT THEY CAN REGROW THE TEETH THEY LOSE. DID YOU KNOW THAT?

BLAH BLAH BLAH

WOW, THAT'S INTERESTING! I'D LIKE TO HEAR MORE!

You like marine life, huh?

!

HMPH

!

...

Chal-lenge 3: Clear!

AND THAT'S ...

Ray
Dolphin show
SPLOOOSH
HUFF
HUFF
Ra-
men
?!
What are we doing?!
SPSH
SPSH
SPSH
SPSH
SPSH
SPSH
SPSH
SPSH
Ma-
rine
boat

...
WHAT SHOULD I SAY ABOUT KOMI AND ME?
...
...
...
UM...
...

...I'LL TREAT KOMI...

...WITH CARE.

...

...

SPSH SPSH SPSH

SPSH SPSH SPSH

...

?!

KADUN

MARINE SHANGRI LA

Returning

GACK

But she's happy he got along with Tadano.

HMF

Komi still can't look at her dad.

Another day

Wants a new com-puter

...

Promising to buy anything Shosuke wants

DEEP BOW

Dad

Begging for a wing-man

The day before

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SHOKO, DO YOU HAVE AN OUTFIT FOR YOUR DATE?
The day before the date
LOST & FOUND
LOST & FOUND
LOST & FOUND

Communication 318: Date Outfit

TSHHHH H H
KEROSS
THMP THMP
Saying, "I got your back!"
HMPH HMPH
GW UP

!!
JOLT
Can I help you with some-thing?
TREMBLE

Oh, you like those clothes? Shall I find your size? ⬆

!!

POIT POIT

Trying to say her friend is helping her

N... NOD...

Okay! I'll show you where it is! ⬆

Over-whelmed, she almost accepted the sales-person's help.

GASP !

HI! CAN WE USE THE CHANGING ROOM?

COME ON, SHOKO!

SWUF

OKAY, ALL READY!

SWUF

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HOLD ON A SEC-OND!
!!
WOW! YOU'RE DEMONICALLY CUTE! YOU'LL SLAY TADANO!
TADA
Ayami Sasaki & Mikuni Kato
?!
Where'd they come from?!
WE HEARD WHAT'S UP!
!
WOOSH
TRY OUR SELEC-TION! IT'S PERFECT!
CUTE OUTFIT, RUMIKO. BUT IT'S TOO REVEALING FOR KOMI!
!
JOLT
WELL, START CHANG-ING!

SWUF

OKAY, ALL READY!

SWUF

HOLD ON A SEC-OND!

?!

CHATTER CHATTER

IT MAXIMIZES YOUR POTENTIAL!

COOL AND ELE-GANT!

KYAH! COOL! AND CUTE!

Ren Yamai

M

WHO LEAKED THIS?!

I HEARD WHAT'S UP!

THAT'S SURE TO BE A DISASTER!!

A DATE WITH TADANO ?!

HUH?!

WHAT?! ME?! MAKE KOMI WEAR SOMETHING HORRID?!

*Con-flicted.

BECAUSE I'LL MAKE HER WEAR THIS HORRID OUTFIT!!

?!

I CAN'T DO IT!

?

I COULDN'T BEAR TO SEE HER LIKE THAT! SHE'D STILL BE HOT, BUT I DON'T WANT HER TO THINK I'D CHOSE THIS!

I GAN'T SHOOSE ANY-SHING !!!

?!

MWA HA HA... *PITIFUL.*

!!

Then why'd she come?

SOB

SOB

?!

Every-one

OMOHARU NAKANAKA ENTERS THE FIGHT!!

ONLY "UN-COOL" WAS CLEAR!

You haven't even seen it!!

UNCOOL.

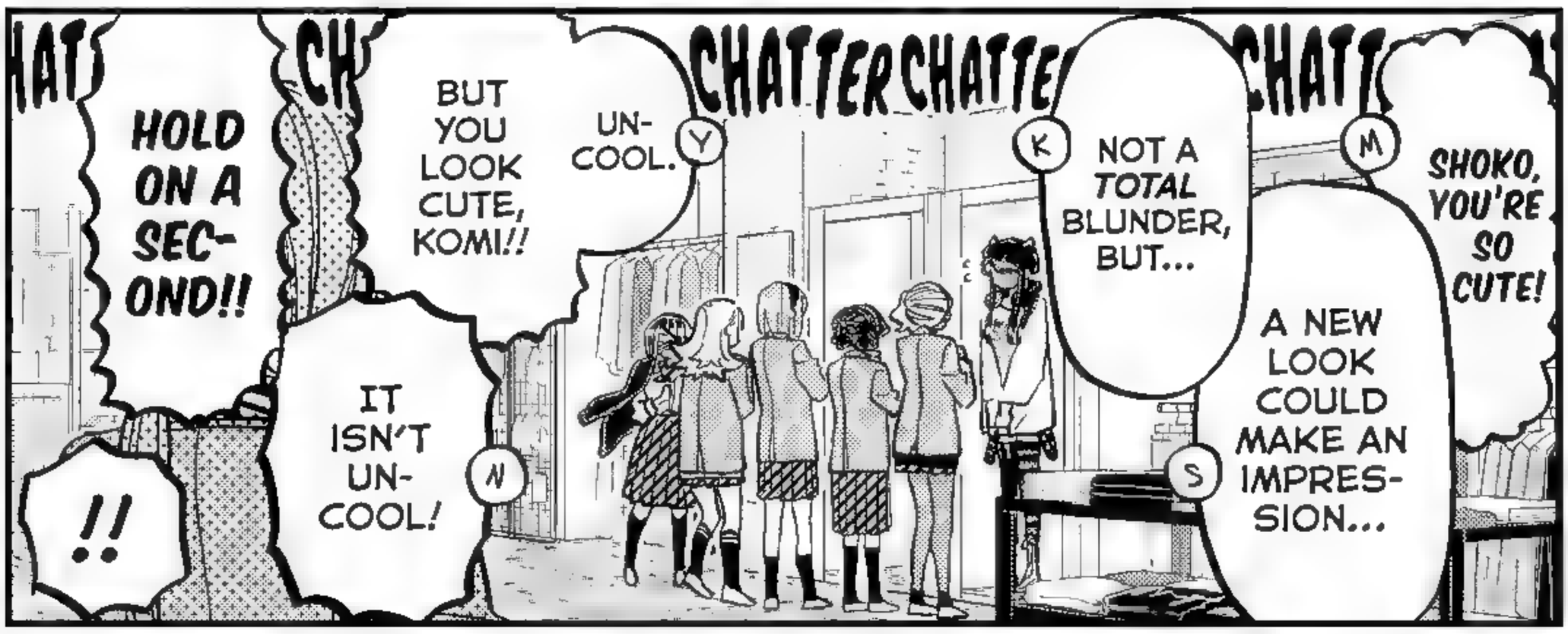
HOO HOBBABEE CHOSHUFFING IFFEERD HEENISH OBBIT.
(YOU PROBABLY CHOSE SOMETHING WITH WEIRD ENGLISH ON IT.)

SWUF

SHE TRIED IT ON!!

SWUF

Creative Impact
The World Is Shaken By My Power
The Dark World Is Empty.
There's Nothing.
The Word Is Making a Noise.
Something Is Going To Happen.
I Will Turn Over All The Evil
In The World
The World Is Making a Noise.
My Power
Of The


HOLD ON A SEC-OND!!
!!
BUT YOU LOOK CUTE, KOMI!!
IT ISN'T UN-COOL!
UN-COOL.
NOT A TOTAL BLUNDER, BUT...
A NEW LOOK COULD MAKE AN IMPRES-SION...
SHOKO, YOU'RE SO CUTE!
CHATTER CHATTER
CHATT
Y
N
K
S
M

MAKERU ENTERS THE FIGHT!!

!!

SWUF

LET'S PICK UP THE PACE!

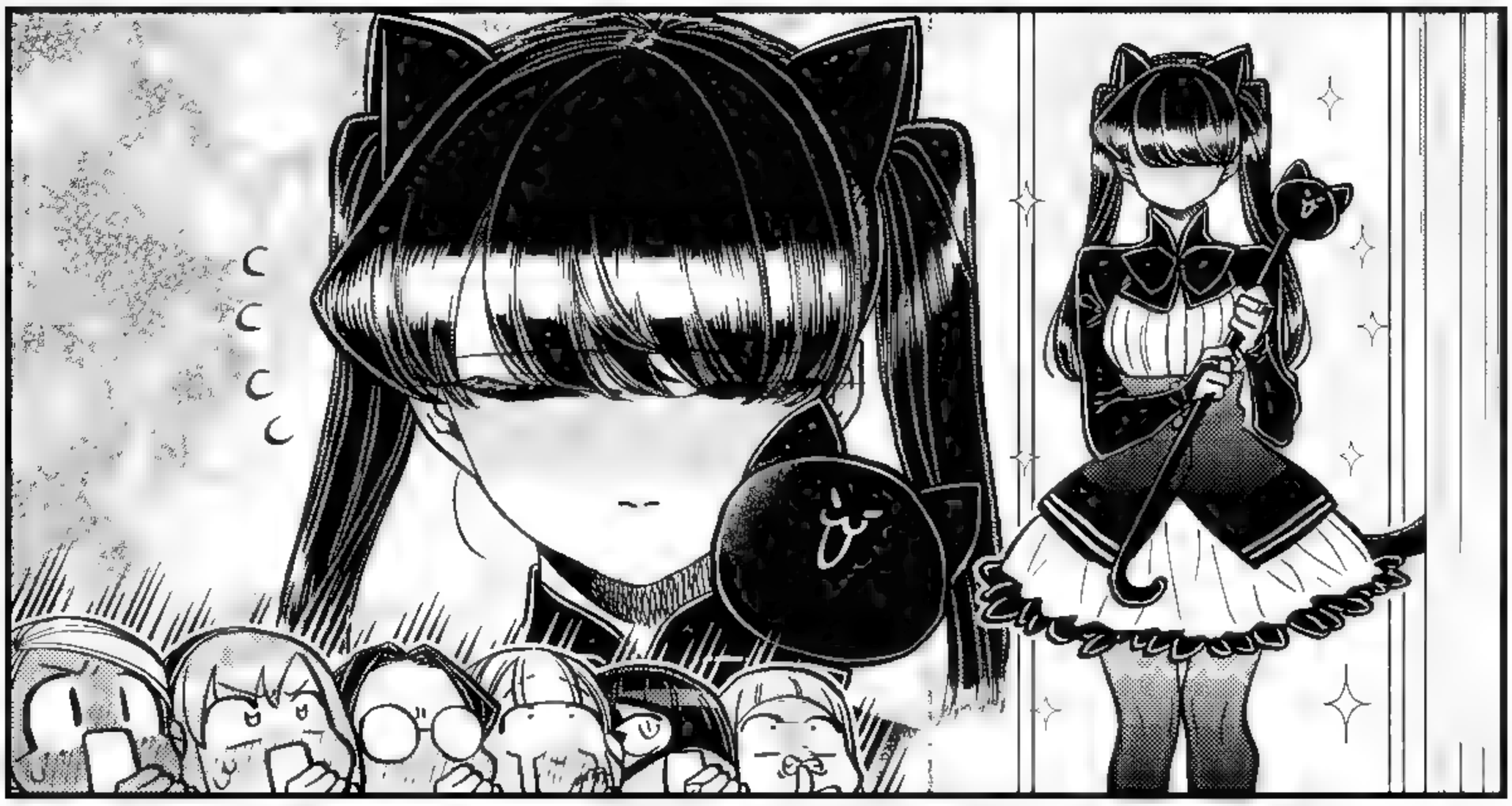
SWUF

HM? THAT'S NORMAL... BUT CUTE!

Hold on a second!

!!

Is everyone gonna show up?!
NAJIMI ENTERS THE FIGHT!!



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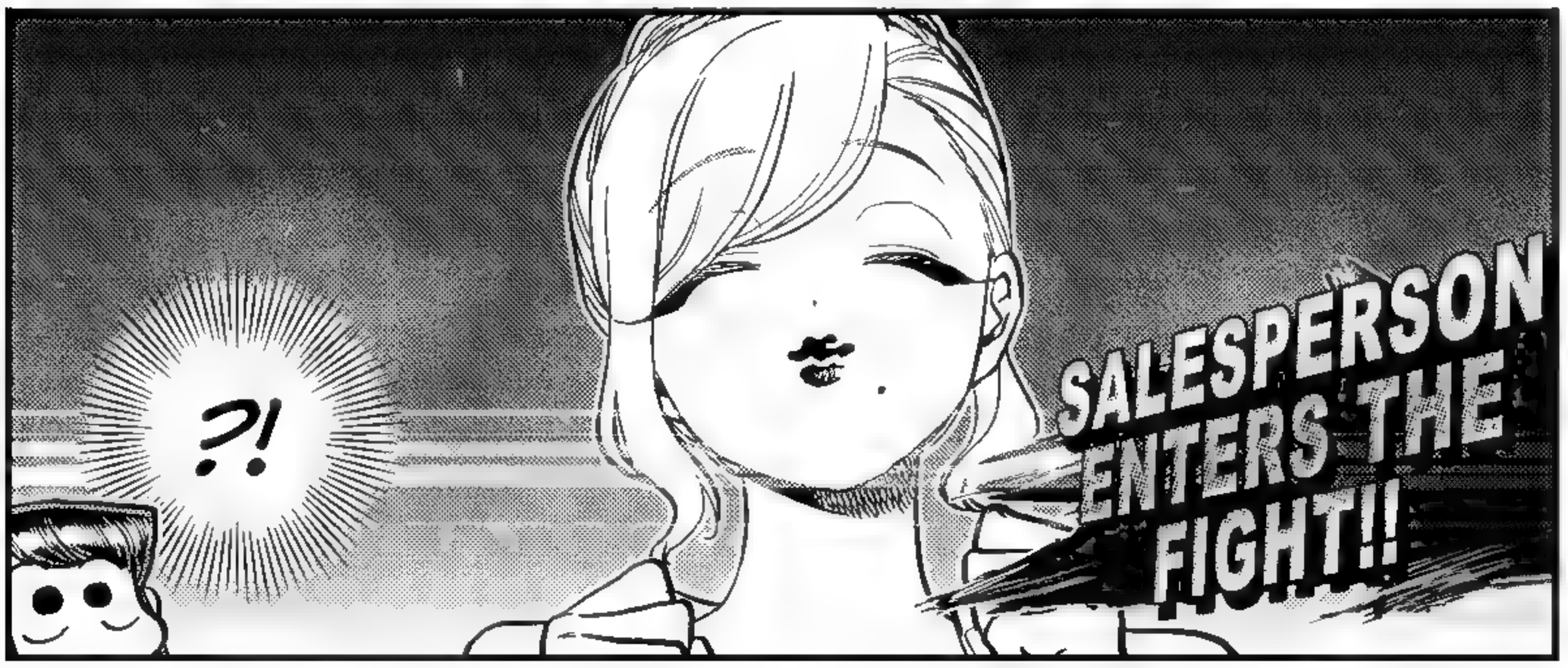
MIKUNI KATO'S MOM ENTERS THE FIGHT!!

CHATTER CHATTER
Try this on too! ♥
YAAH
YAAH
KYAH♥

SO WHICH ONE DO YOU CHOOSE ?!
PRESSURE
Can't choose
TREMMBLE

GASP
Wants Tadano to think she's cute...
Hmm...

!!
Having trouble choosing?
...but which outfit make that happen?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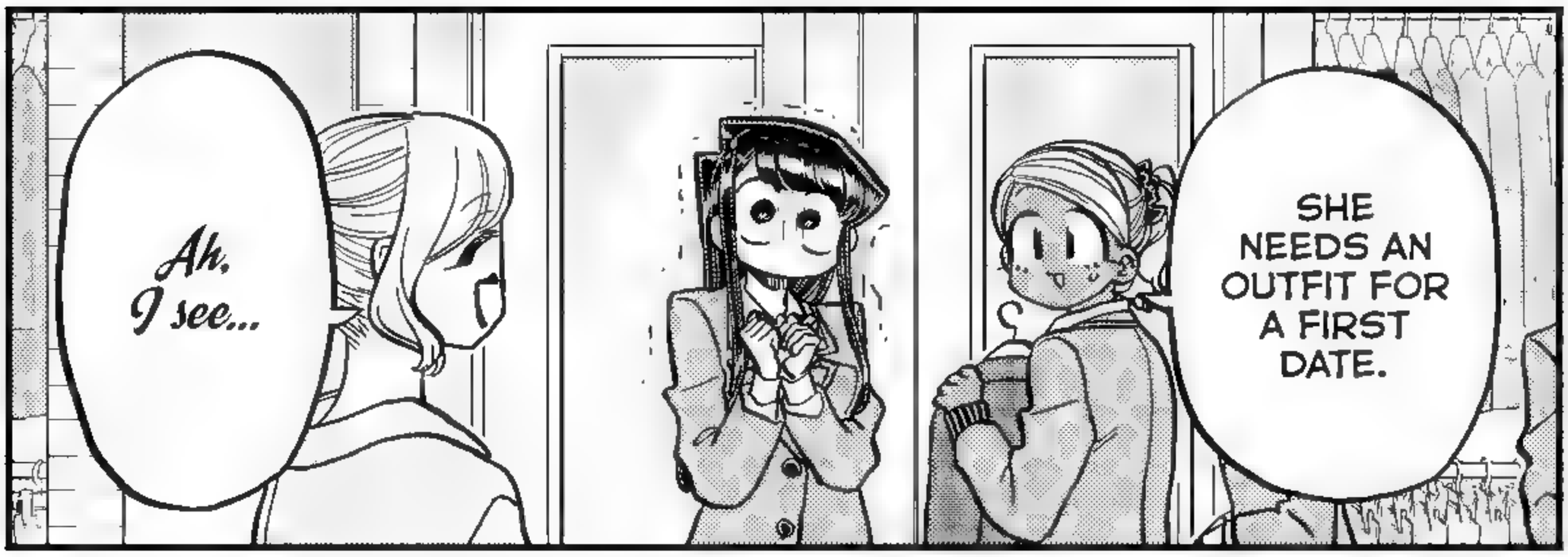
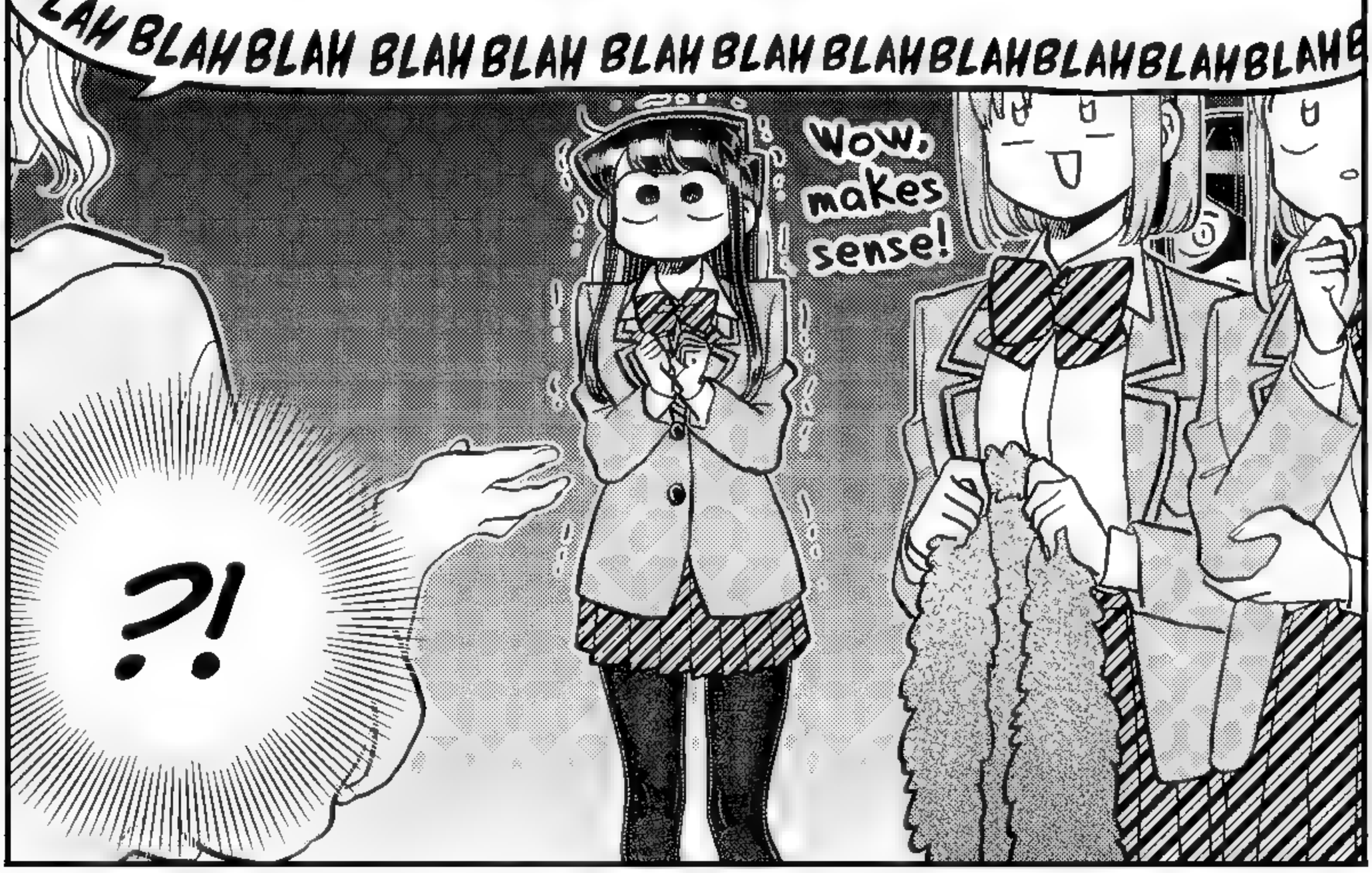
SALESPERSON ENTERS THE FIGHT!!



Well, it's your first date, so you don't want to show too much skin. A white maxi dress will look refreshing and neat, but anything too plain could make you look uninteresting. A ribbon behind your neck and a slightly open back would liven it up a little, and because it's still a little chilly, draping a fluffy knit cardigan around your shoulders would have an appealing effect. It's popular now, so I can show you some right away. I own several different colors myself. As for footwear, you'll probably walk a lot, right? Heels would be hard on your feet, especially since you're so tall. But thick socks with sandals are trendy and perfect for spring!



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Komi Can't
Communicate

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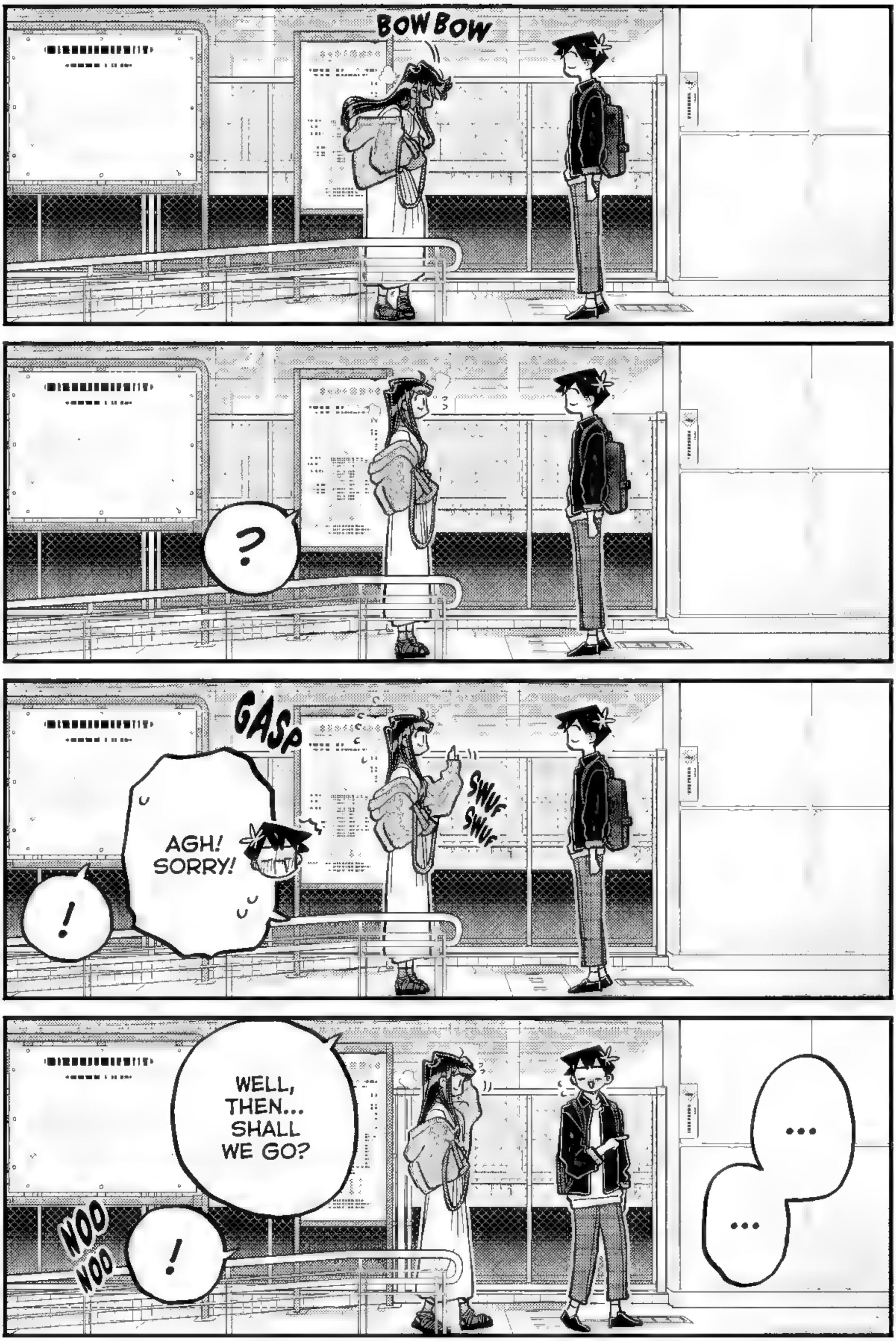
SAGAMI-KUTTAN
TMP
TMP
TMP
Um, there's no hurry!


BOW BOW
?
GASP
SNUF SNUF
AGH! SORRY!
!
WELL, THEN... SHALL WE GO?
NOD NOD
!
...
...

DADING

DADING

PSHHHHT

That girl's pretty!

Trouble finding a spot

KLIK

...

KLAK

KLIK

...

...!

...

KLIK

BEAUTIFUL WEATHER TODAY, HUH?

KLAK

...!

NOD NOD

Nervous and wasn't listening

GASP

Sum-moned his courage to repeat it.

...IT'S GOOD... RIGHT?

...UH ...

UM... THE WEATHER ...

KLIK

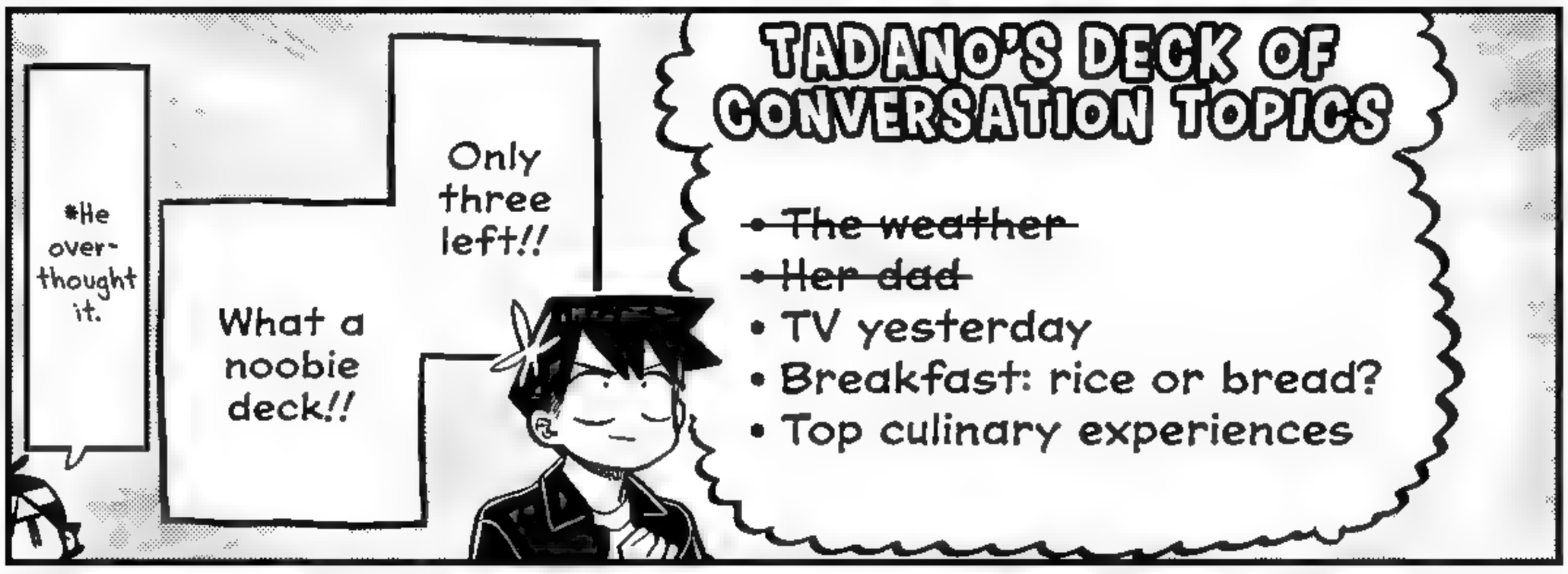
...

KLAK

KLIK

...

!
NOD NOD
I'M GLAD WE COULD DO THIS.
!!
BOW BOW
...AND IT WAS FUN.
SORRY AGAIN ABOUT THE OTHER DAY. WE WENT TO THE AQUARIUM ...


*He over-thought it.
What a noobie deck!!
Only three left!!
TADANO'S DECK OF CONVERSATION TOPICS
~~• The weather~~
~~• Her dad~~
• TV yesterday
• Breakfast: rice or bread?
• Top culinary experiences

SHE'LL THINK I'M A GLUTTON !!
TWO OUT OF THE THREE LEFT ARE ABOUT FOOD!

PSHHHHT
DADING
DADING
NO, I'M FINE STANDING UP.
!
!
SWIP SWIP
!
THERE'S AN OPEN SEAT, KOMI.
SKRK SKRK
RUSTL RUSTL
WHAT MAKES SENSE?!
M-MAKES SENSE!
"Me too."

...

...

They were haggling over it, so no one sat there.

...!

An open seat!

Good!

KLAKKA

KLAKKA

!

UM...

NO, I CAN GO NEXT.

...

GO AHEAD

GO AHEAD. YOU FIRST.

...!

I WAS JITTERY ...

...SO I DIDN'T SLEEP WELL.

SORRY I WAS LATE.

...

I COULDN'T SLEEP EITHER. AH HA HA!

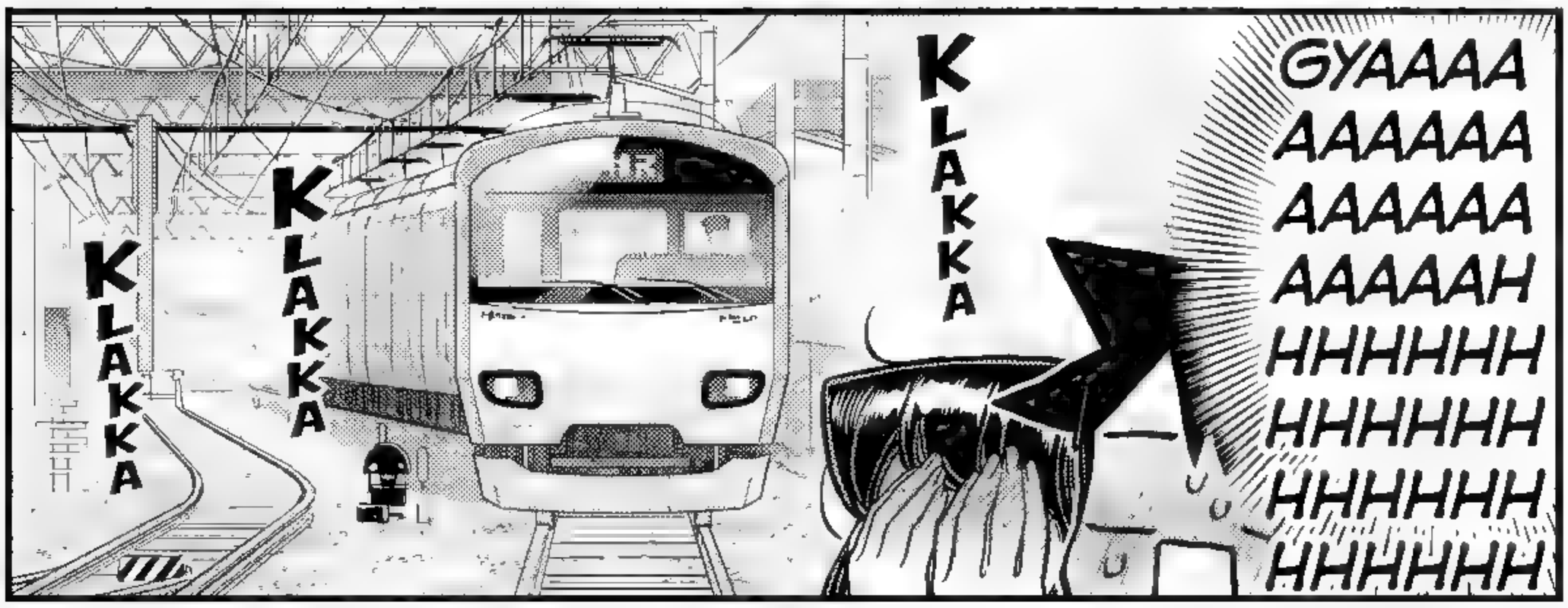
OH, THAT'S ALL RIGHT.

WELL, UM...

WHAT WERE YOU GOING TO SAY?

KLAKKA

KLAKKA



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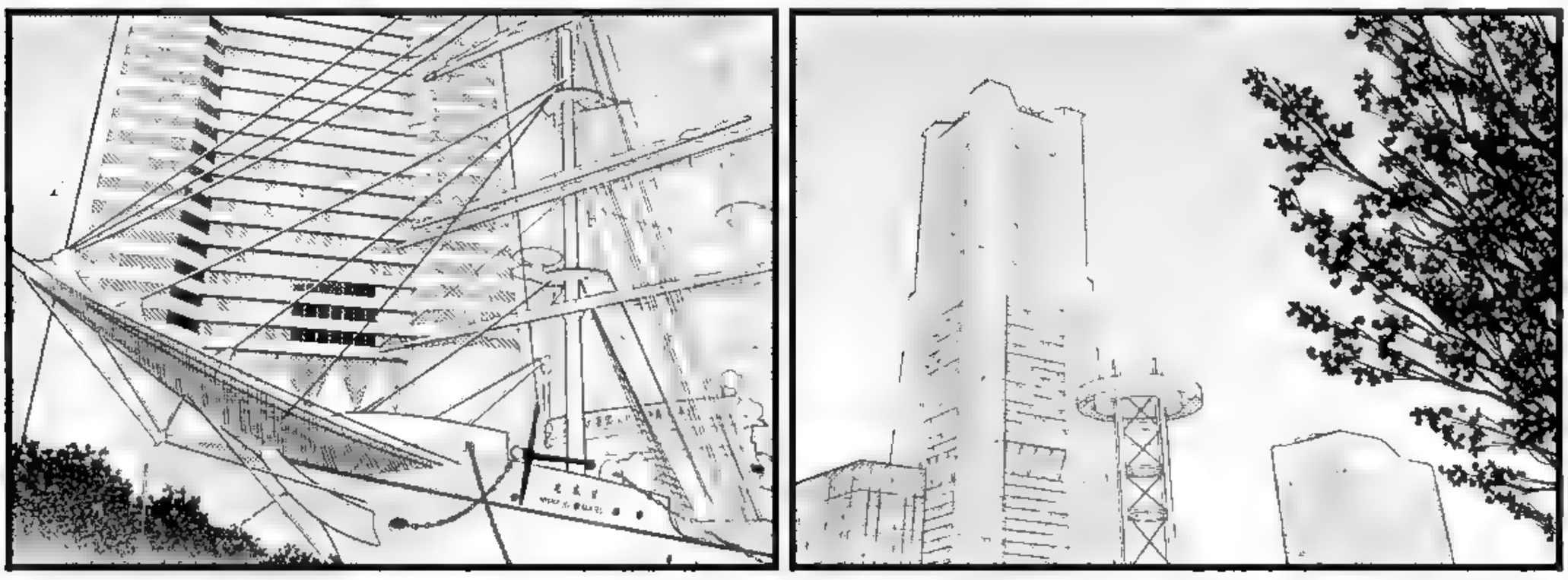

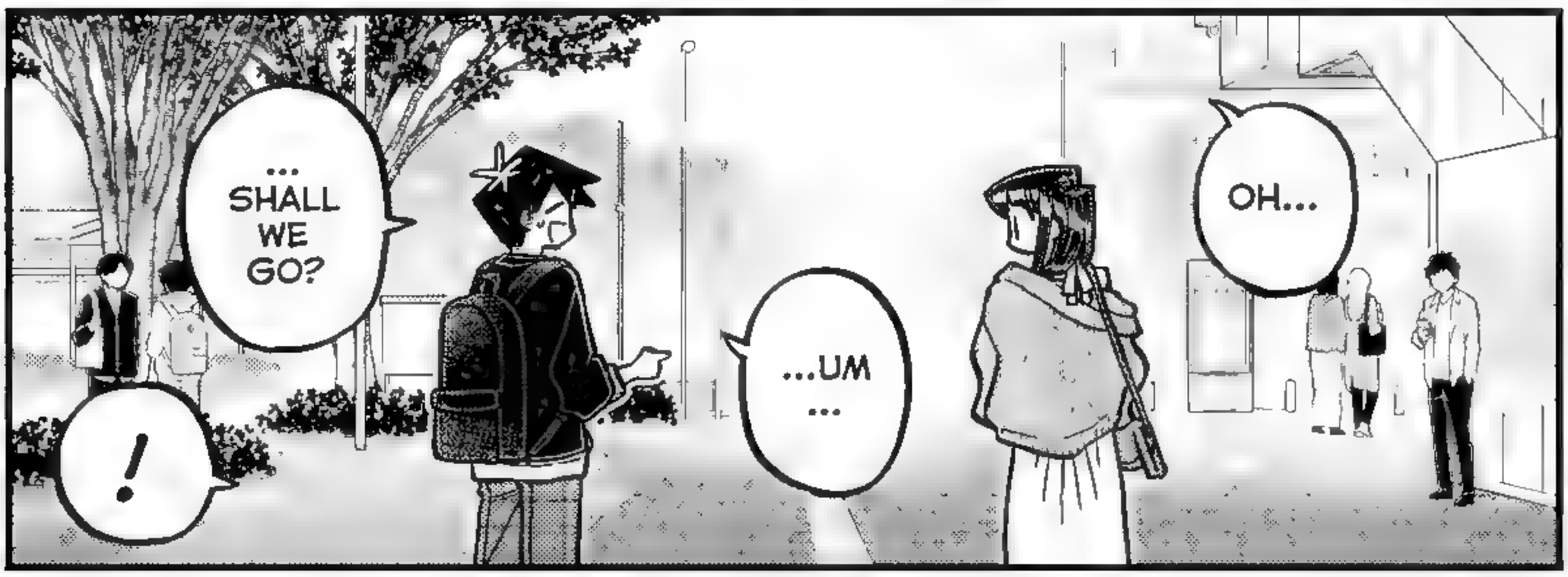

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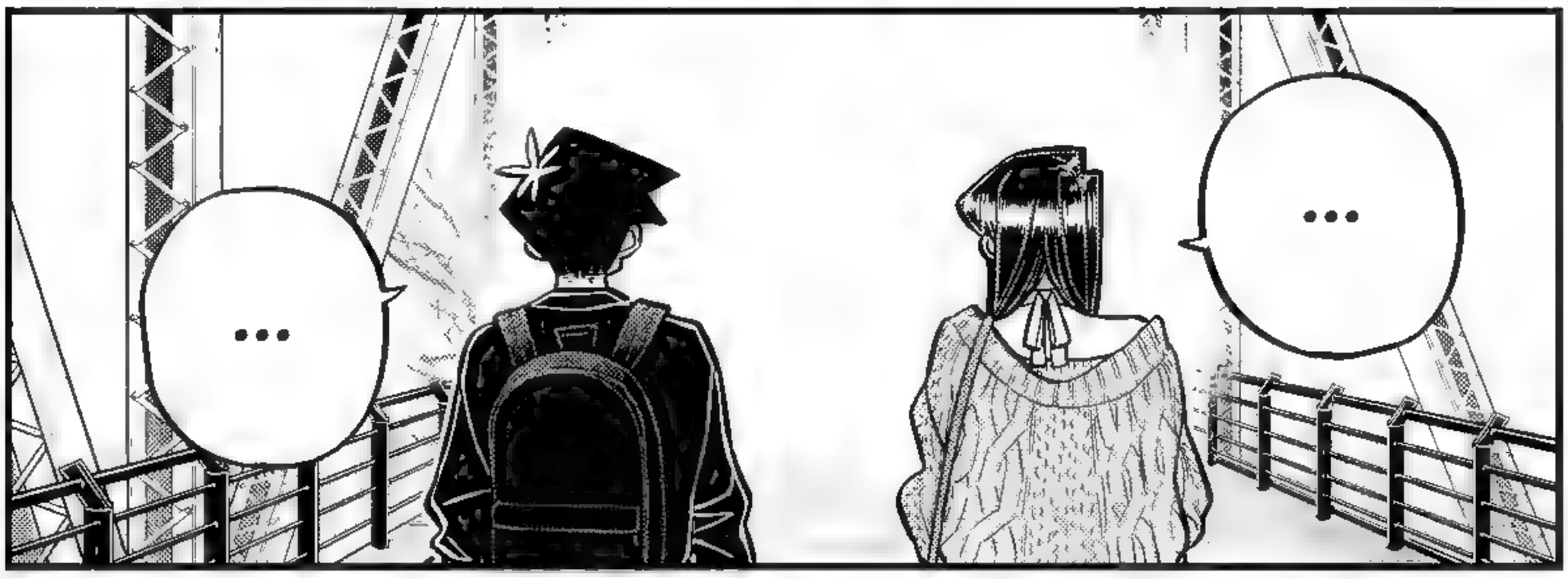
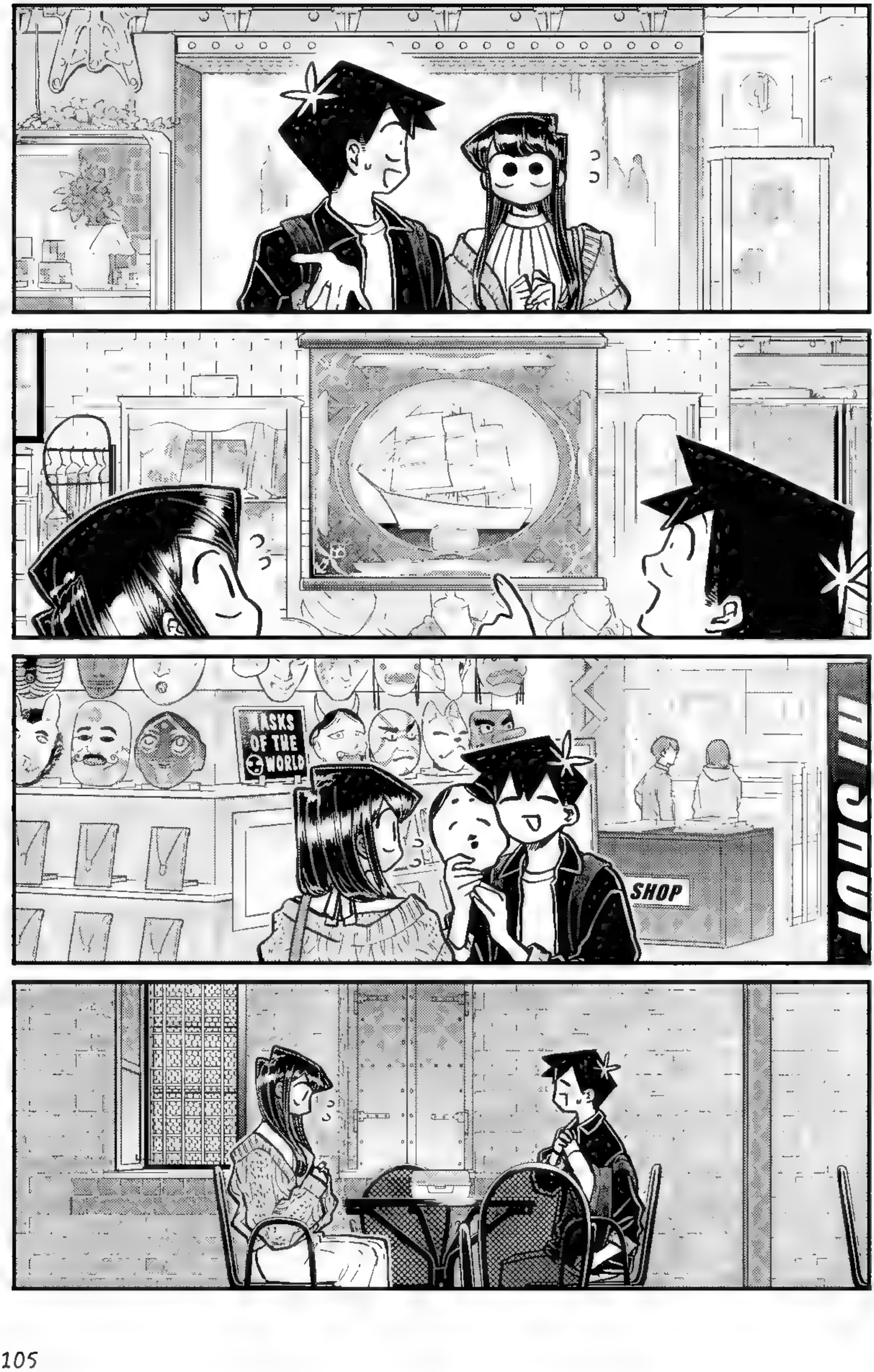



TASKS OF THE WORLD
SHOP

...

...

...!

DID YOU SEE ANYTHING YOU LIKE?

...

I'LL BUY YOU SOMETHING FOR WHITE DAY.

!!

...?

Totally forgot
...!
Like something you saw here...
SO IF THERE'S ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE...
ACK
ACK
...
TREMMMMMBLE
Reluc-tant to make him buy some-thing

...!
THEN HOW ABOUT *DOING* SOME-THING?
...
...
GLANCE
...
...
...
?

!
OH, THE FERRIS WHEEL?
COSMO RAND
CLEEEEEEEEL EAR
STEP IN!
TREMBLE
Note: It's scary.
Trans-parent gondola

ooo

...

...

...!

NOO NOO

IT LOOKS DIFFERENT FROM UP HERE.

OH, THERE'S THE STREET WE WERE JUST ON!

ooo

!

UM...

...AM...

...I GOOD ENOUGH FOR YOU?

...FUN.

..NOT VERY MUCH...

TRRRRRRRRRRLE

KLIK

KLAK

...I'M...

AS YOU KNOW...

!

AM *I* GOOD ENOUGH FOR *YOU*?

...SO I FEEL KIND OF PITIFUL.

...AND I'M WORRIED YOU'RE BORED ...

MY DATE PLAN ISN'T GOING VERY WELL...

NO, NOT AT ALL.

SHUD

...HAS BEEN A BIG INCONVE-NIENCE FOR YOU?

MAYBE REVEALING MY FEELINGS ...

FUMP

WOBBLE STAGGER

...GOOD ENOUGH TO BE YOUR GIRL-FRIEND.

MAYBE I'M BOTHERING YOU, BECAUSE I'M NOT...

I TH-THINK YOU'RE GREAT.

!

...THE SAME DOUBTS !

I HAVE ...

...BUT I'M TRYING TO STAY POSITIVE.

...TO BE YOUR BOY-FRIEND ...

YOU'RE SO INCREDIBLE THAT I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M GOOD ENOUGH...

SO WE'RE THE SAME!

...!!

...SO...

UM...

...?

...!

SO BE CONFIDENT WHEN WE'RE TOGETHER ...

...AND ...

...KNOW THAT I REALLY DO LIKE YOU.

It's embarrassing to say it.

I REALLY ... ... LIKE YOU.

FSHHHHHH

...YOU DO.

I LIKE Y-YOU N-NO MATTER W-WHAT ...

...

OKAY ?!

... JUST RELAX !

WHEN YOU'RE WITH ME...

B-BUT DON'T FORCE YOURSELF!

...
...
...

...

...

...UM...

?

I...

...

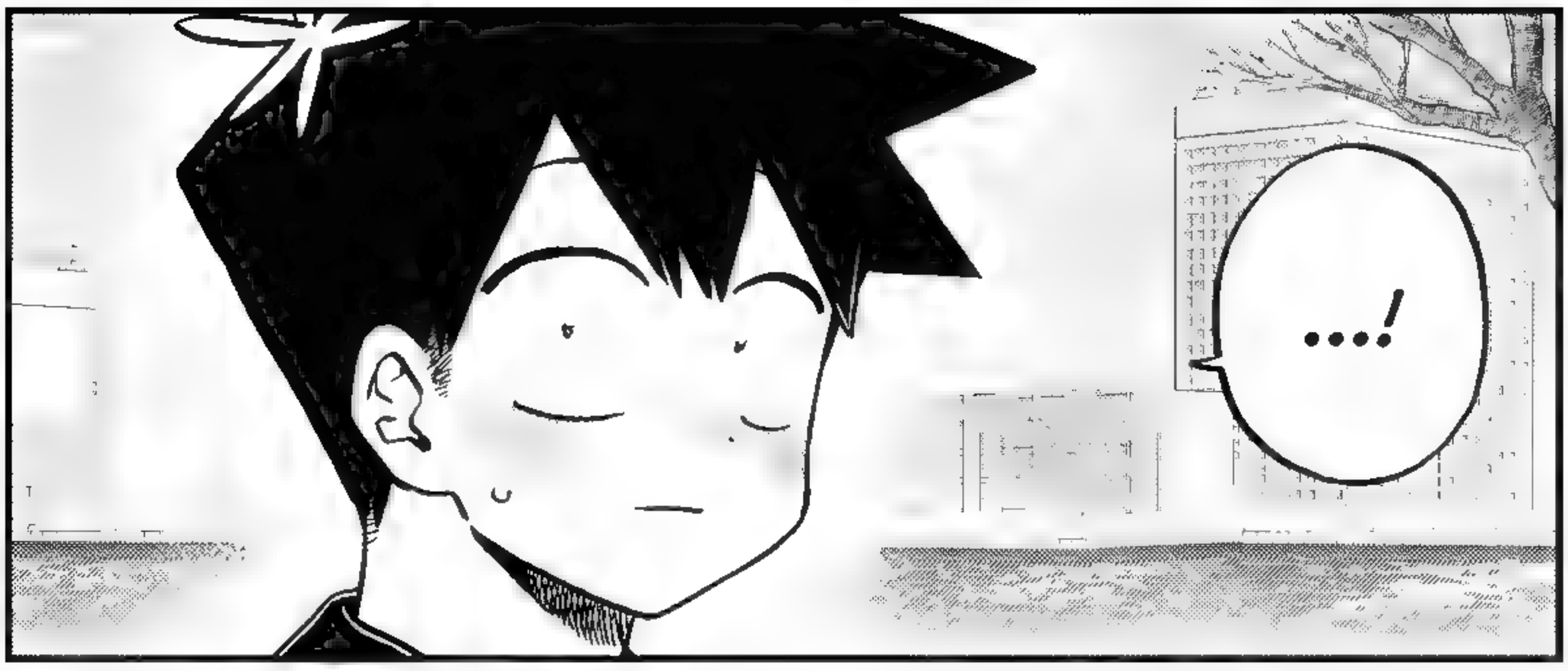
...WANT
...

...UM...

...

...TO
HOLD...

...
HANDS.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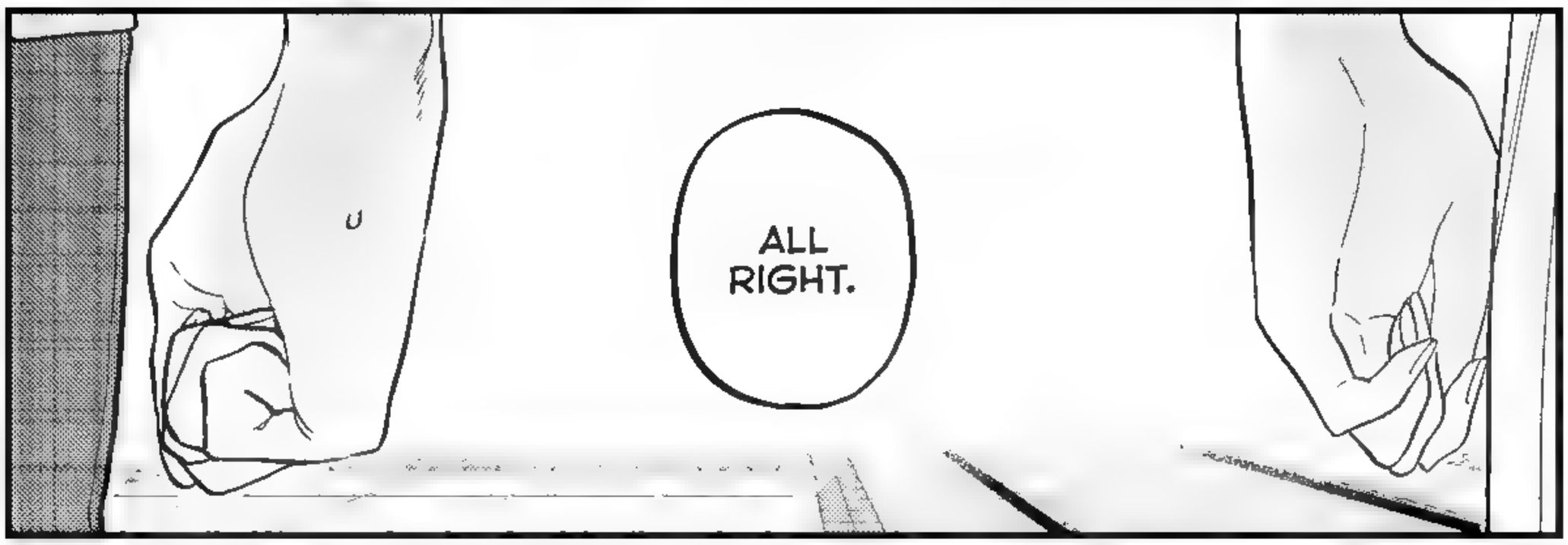
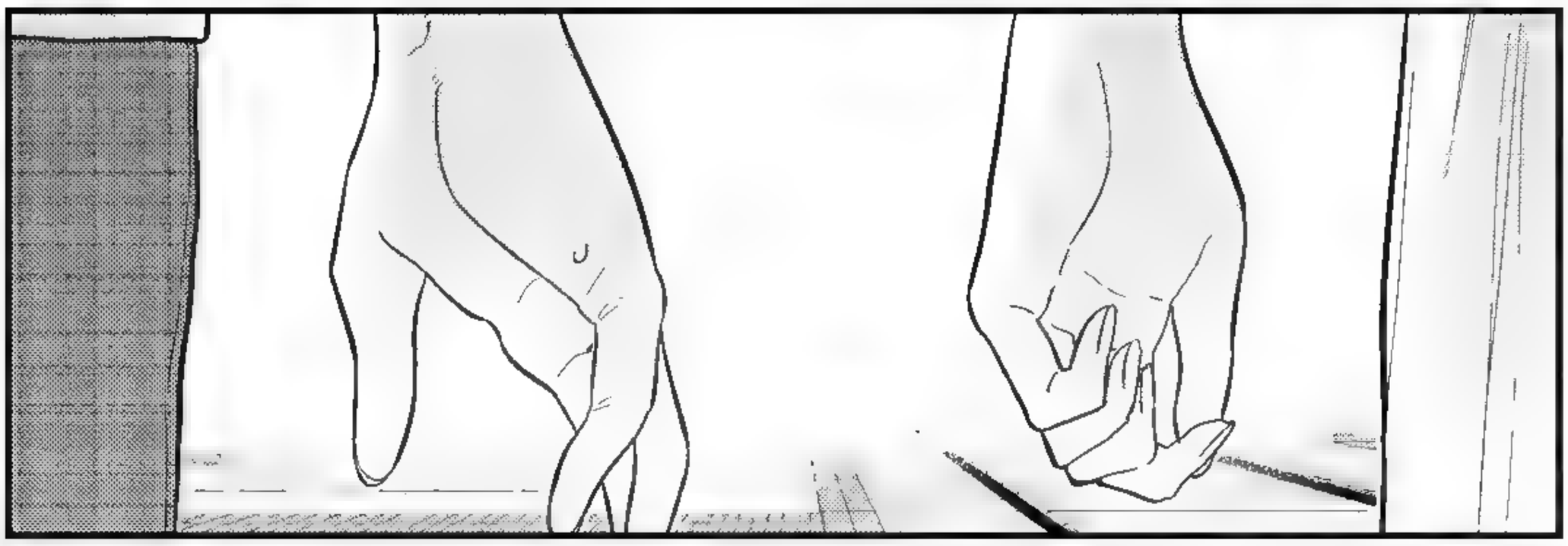
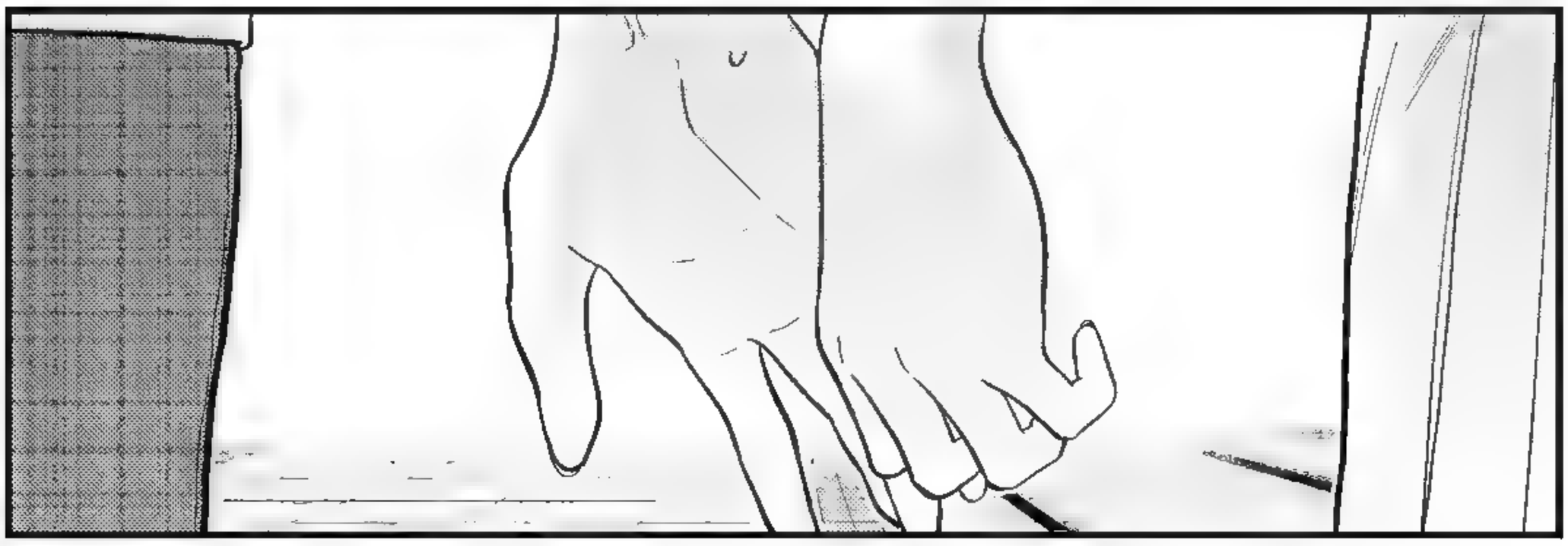
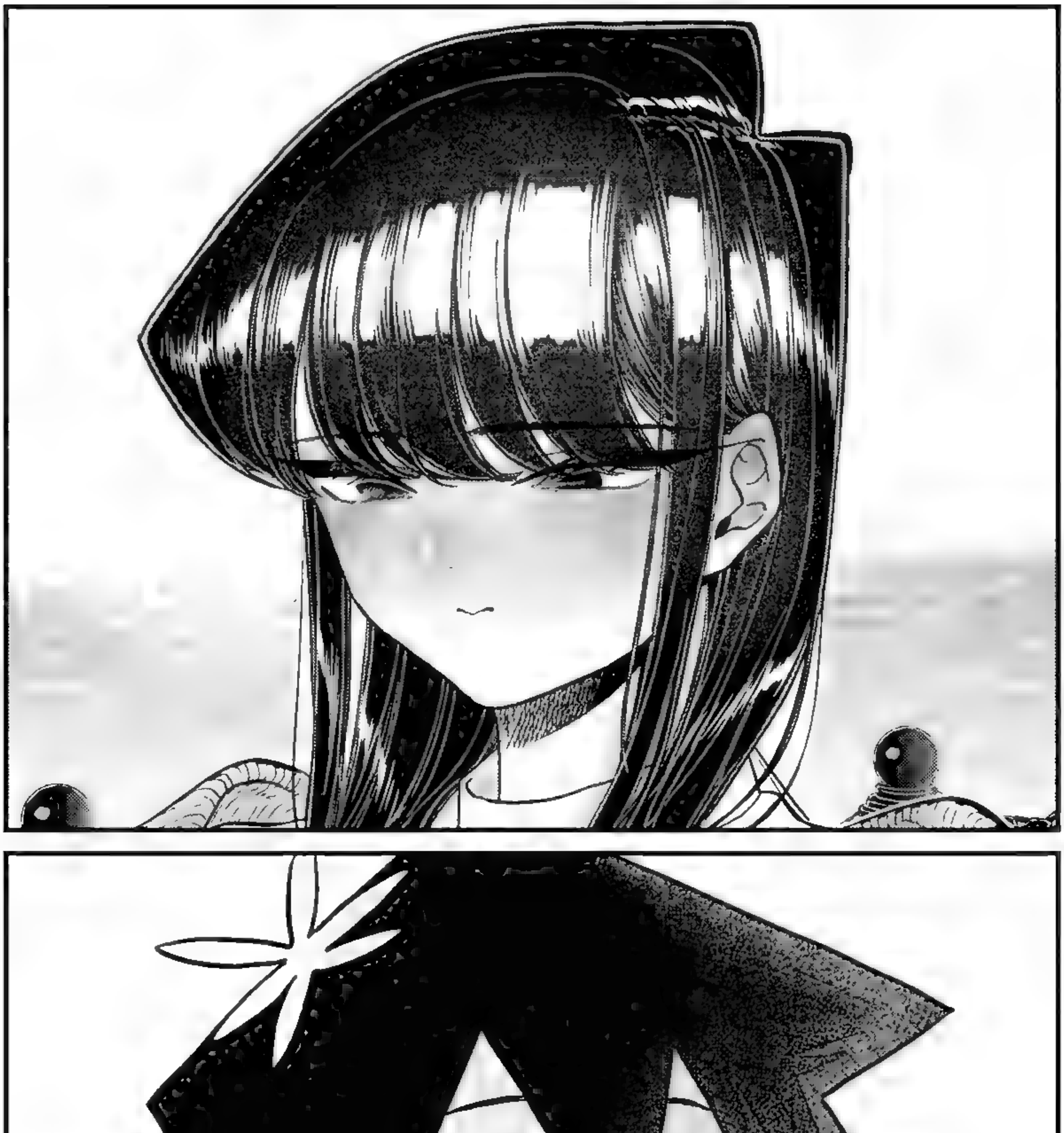

ALL RIGHT.







"IS MY STRIDE THE RIGHT LENGTH?"

"IS MY GRIP TOO TIGHT?"

"IS IT UNCOM-FORT-ABLE ?"

"ARE MY HANDS SWEATY?"

"ARE MY FINGER-NAILS TOO LONG?"

"ARE MY HANDS TOO DRY?"

"DOES MY HAND FEEL COLD?"

"OR TOO HOT?"

"IS IT OBVIOUS MY HEART'S POUNDING ?"

"DO I SMELL BAD?"

But they didn't let go.

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Komi Can't Communicate

HE SAID IIIIIT!!

...REALLY CUTE.

Has a shogi match

Followed to spy

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Okay, let's follow 'em!!

DON'T YOU WONDER ABOUT HOW THEIR DATE IS GOING?

How everyone ended up following them

?!

Rub-ber-band gun

KSHAK

?
POINK
OW.
PWOSH
SUGI BEE GARDEN
?!
Too nervous to notice Najimi
OF C-COURSE NOT! HA HA!
...
No, not that, Tadano.
WHAT ABOUT THIS?

Ferris wheel

YES, HOW CAN I HELP YOU?

UM, PARDON ME!

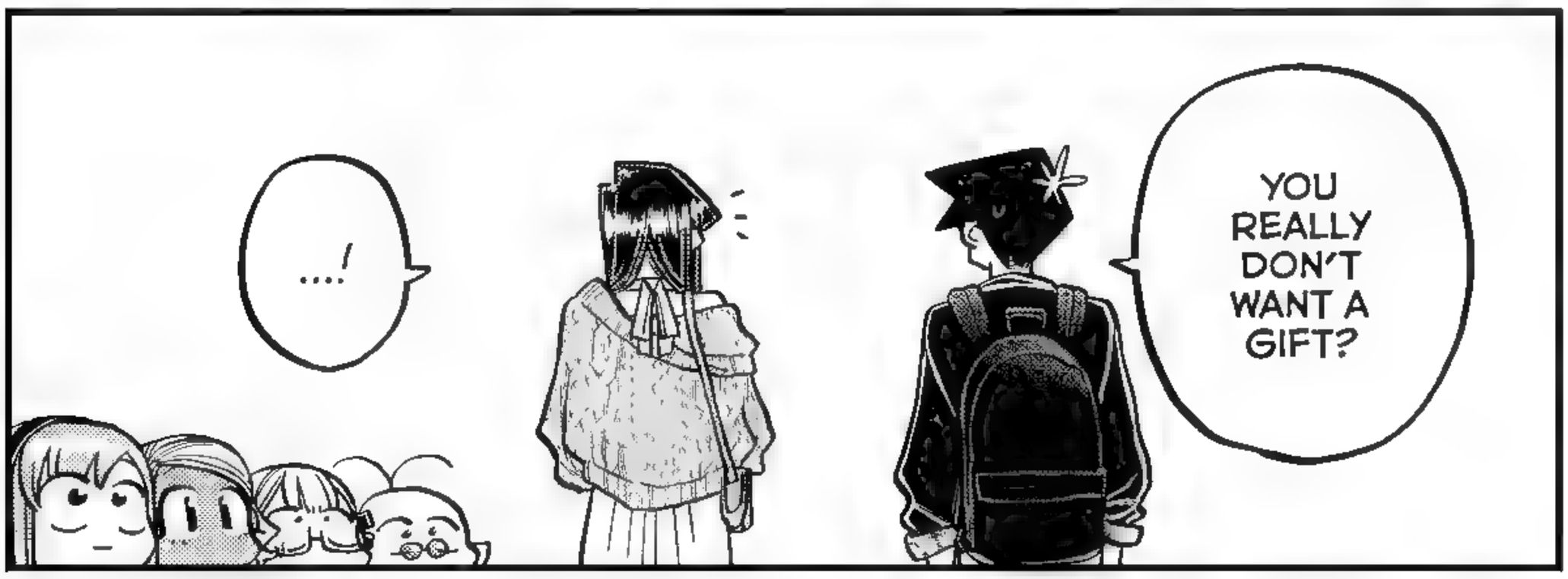
?!

IS IT POSSIBLE TO EAVESDROP ON ANOTHER GONDOLA?

Sorry about her!!

GWOOOOOOO

IT *MUST* BE, RIGHT?! TO PREVENT CRIME OR SOMETHING?! C'MON, TELL ME! AND MAKE IT FAST!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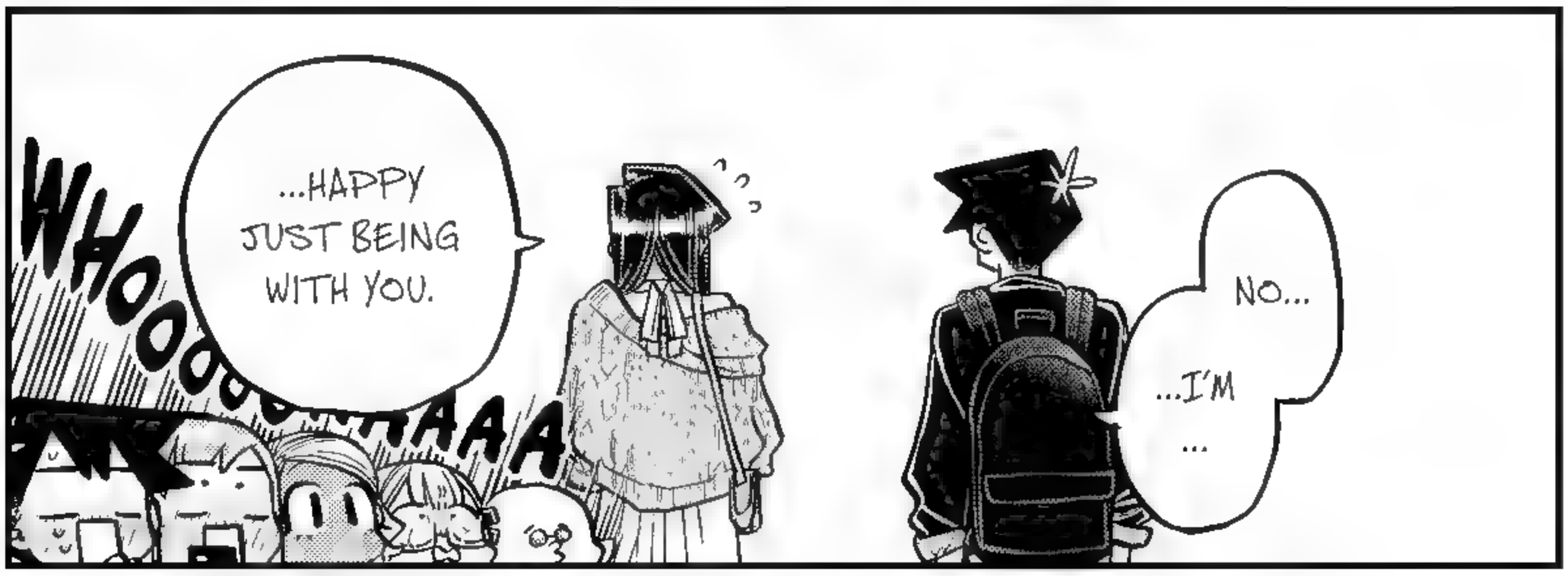
YOU REALLY DON'T WANT A GIFT?


WHOOOOOAAAA
...HAPPY JUST BEING WITH YOU.
NO...
...I'M
...

THEY'RE ON EDGE, SO THIS DATE'S A DUD!

SPACE

TH-THEY DON'T SEEM CHEERFUL! AND THERE'S SPACE BETWEEN THEM!!

?

CLAP CLAP CLAP

CLAP CLAP

YOU'RE IMPRESSIVELY EXPEN-DABLE!

I DIDN'T NEED TO WORRY. WELL DONE, TADANO!

HM?

NOW HOLD ON A SECOND!

HUH?

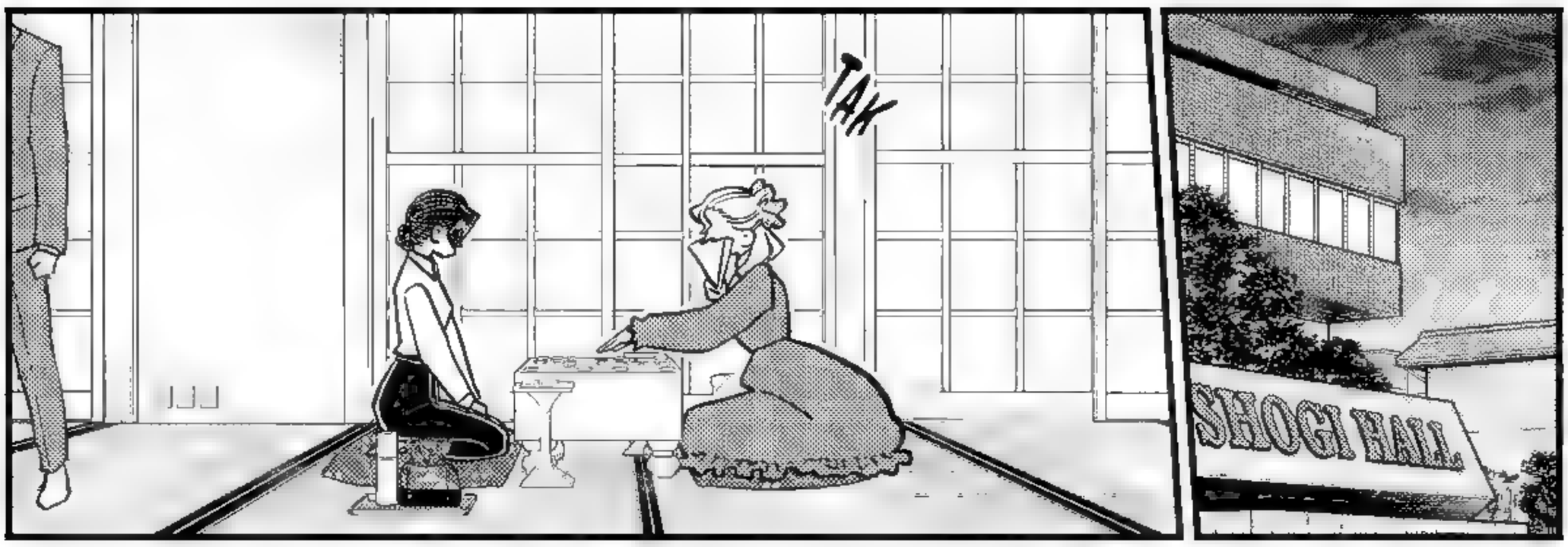
NO— AGH!

NO, DON'T!

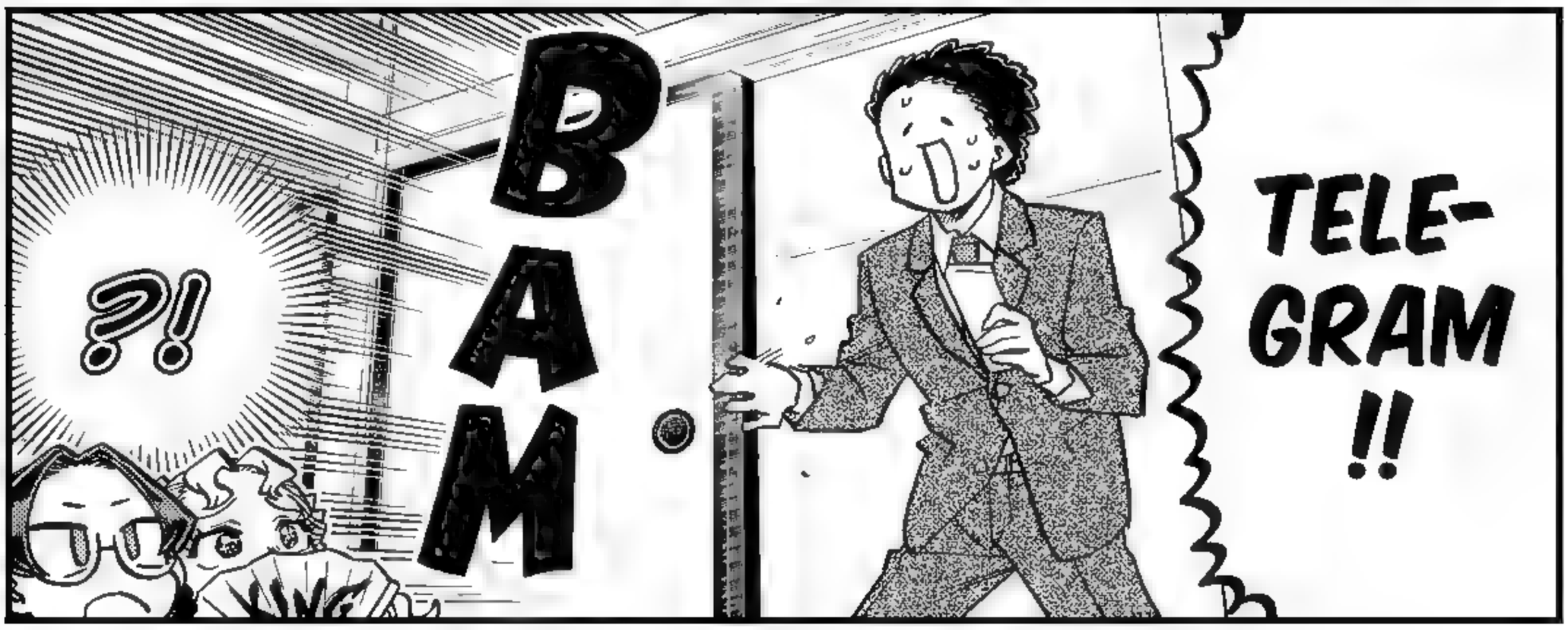
NO WAY!

GYAII IIEEE EEEE EE!!!

Najimi went to the ramen museum with some other friends.


TAK
SHOGI HALL

...
I—
I'VE WON THIS!
KING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BAM.
TELE-GRAM !!

Communication 321 — The End

IN COLOR

HOME EARLY FREE RUN

GRAPHIC NOVELS NOW ON SALE!!!!

THE MANGA

SHONEN

HAZAKURA

PARTY UNIFORM!!

COLOR SPREAD

TODAY'S SANBO TARO

NOODLE

DETECTIVE CONA

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#1

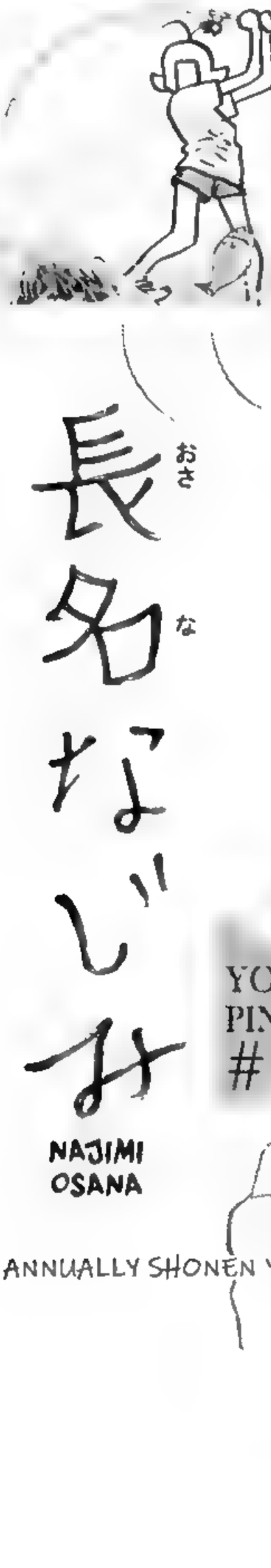
SHE'S A BEAUTY!

IT'S AN ITAN

FROM ITAN HIGH SCHOOL

IT'S AN ITAN GIRL'S OUTFIT!

BK



長名なっ

NAJIMI OSANA

YONDAY PINUP #1

ANNUALLY SHONEN YONDAY

ONE CHOP.?
Did you fall down?
Are you okay?
鬼ケ島朱子
GASHIMA AKAKO
山井
YAMAI
岸
KISHI
I'M THE PRODUCER!
YONDAY PINUP #2
THESE THREE ARE PART OF THE IDOL GROUP RIA-AKA 48.5, PRODUCED BY SHIGEO CHIARAI! AREN'T THEY STUNNING?!

WHO WILL WATCH HORROR FLICKS WITH HER?

...SHE'LL STARTLE YOU WITH A BOO!

WHEN THINGS GET CREEPY...

YONDAM PINUP #3

Oodaira Shizuoka

小戸田静

CLOSE ENDED
WAVE GOODBYE...

YONDAY PINUP #4

SHOW NEW SIDES OF THEMSELVES.

VIVID'S NEW SINGLE
NOODLE DETECTIVE
CONA ANIME EDITION

THAT CRIMSON THING

THAT CRIMSON THING NOW ON SALE!

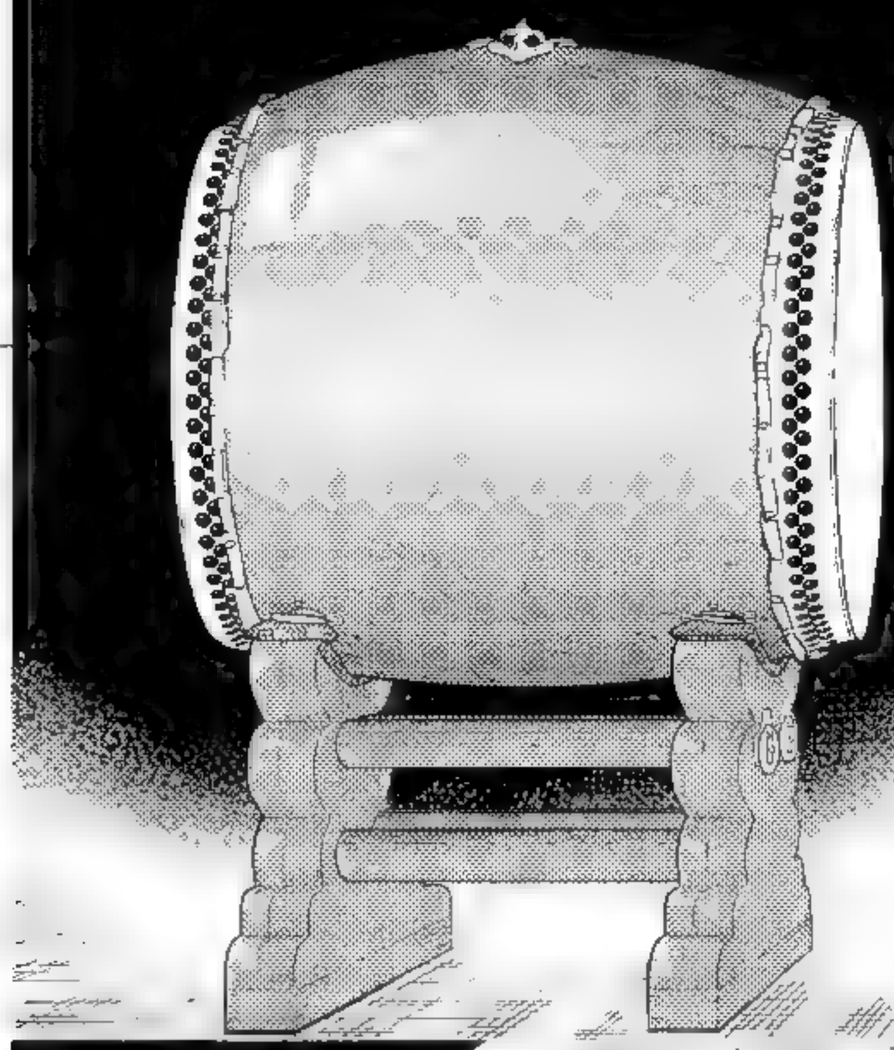
SHH! PLEASE!

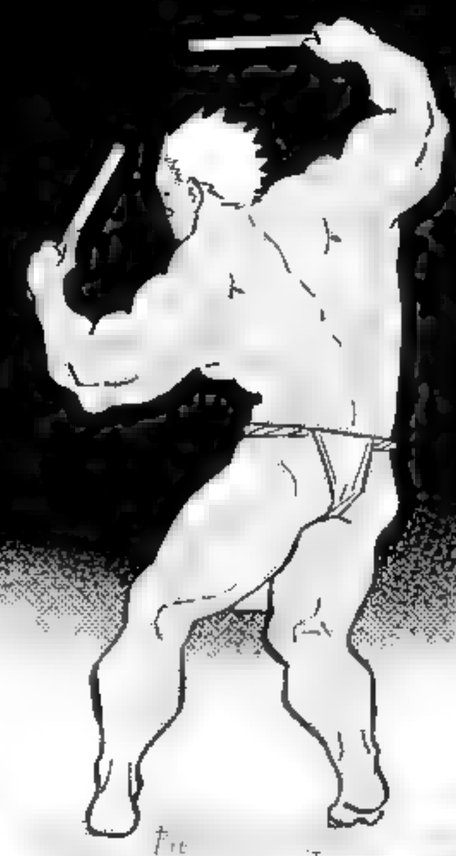
say "ah"...

漢 OTOKO

誠片居 MAKOTO KATAI

YONDAY PINUP #5





MAKOTO KATAI MADE HIS BREATHTAKING DEBUT IN A COMMERCIAL FOR A MAN'S RAZOR. NOW HE'S MAKING A BREATHTAKING PINUP DEBUT IN THESE VERY PAGES!

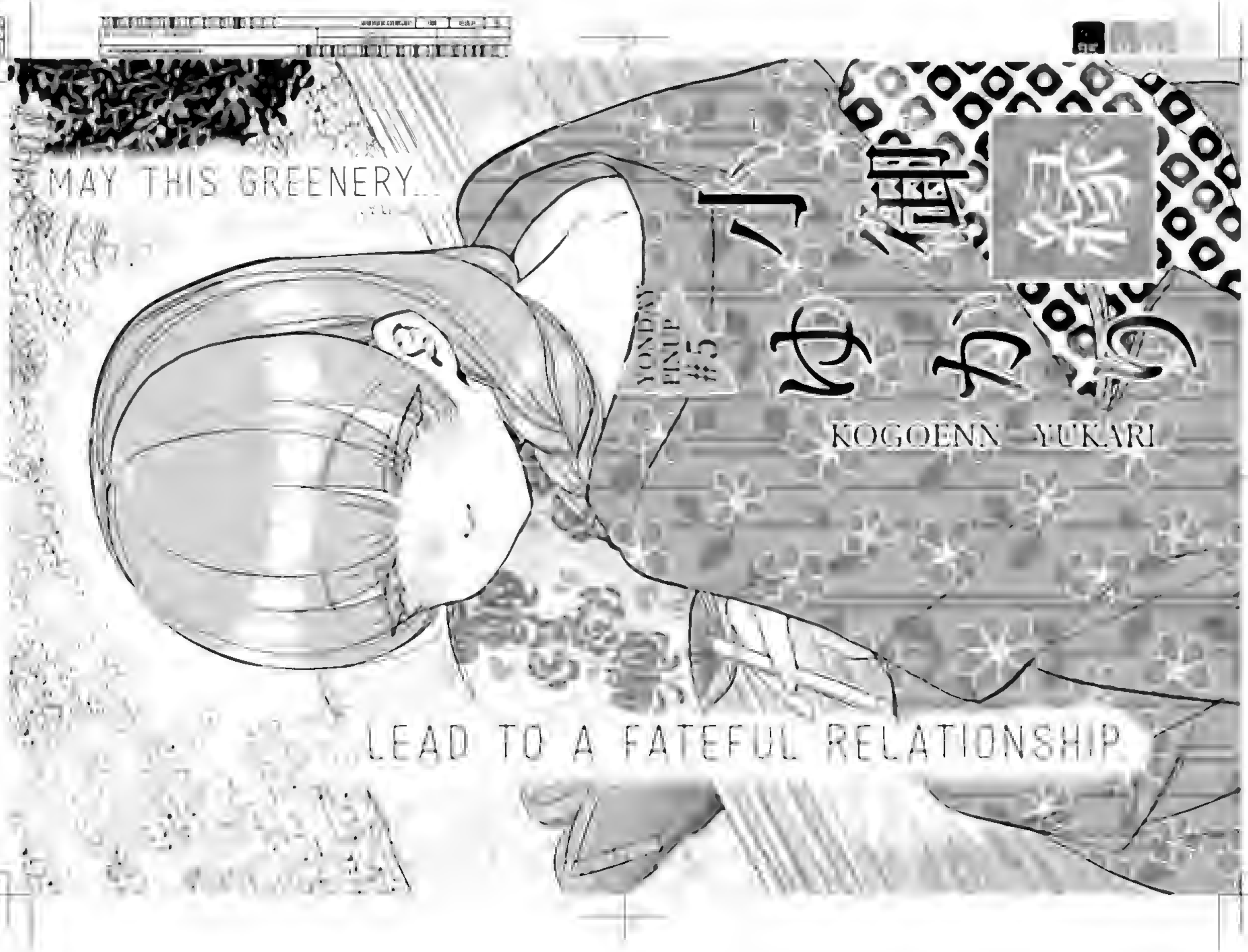
LOOK AT THAT BEEFCAKE! DOES HE KEEP DUMP TRUCKS IN THERE?!

路里ローラ × 西湖ちい

Michisato RoLa

Saiko Chi i

YONDAY
PINUP
#6


MAY THIS GREENERY...
LEAD TO A FATEFUL RELATIONSHIP
KOGOENN YUKARI

Kiyoko Isagi was named the spokesgirl for this product. It created quite a buzz because no one knew anything about her but her name... Except for the editors at *Yonday*, so now her secrets are out! She's a high school student and even serves as student council president!!

Impressive!

YONDAY PINUP #8

~ SHE IS ...?! ~

WHO IS THE MASKED YO-YO PERFORMER Y.Y. HANNYA?!

YONDA'S PINUP #1

YD: Please, introduce yourself.

YY: Hello, I'm Y.Y. Hannya. It's a pleasure to meet you. I'm a yo-yo performer.

YD: You're surprisingly approachable. You wear a Hannya mask, so I expected you to be more forbidding. *(laughs)*

YY: Everyone says that. *(laughs)*

YD: Is there a meaning behind your mask?

YY: I just use it to hide my face. I bought it during a school trip to Kyoto. I also hope it will help me make an impact.

YD: What made you get into yo-yo?

YY: I'm the type to get completely absorbed in toys and games. When I was five, I got my first yo-yo and couldn't keep my hands off it. I'm also pretty good at *kendama* and *Swamp Bros. (laughs)*

YD: Oh, *Swamp Bros.?* Who's your go-to character?

YY: I can play any character, but when I get serious, I play Nuesu who uses a yo-yo. By the way, my combat score is well over a billion.

YD: Over a billion?! Impressive! (The current top player is Sakurero at 1,500,024,500.) I'm at about 1.2 billion, so maybe I'm better!

YY: Hunh?

YD: [illegible]

YY: I've had a *Swamp Bros.* battle at my friend's house and I was playing Samyu, the comic high school girl. She's my weakest character.

Y.Y. Hannya is especially skilled at loop the loop. In speed, she has no equal.

YD: Well, my weakest character is Sokechu the electric mouse. I really noticed the difference in strength when I couldn't recover effectively from a mud block.

YY: Well, earlier I said well over a billion, but since then I've played a little more to reach 1.1 billion. Because with Nuesu, counterattacks don't hit in the first place.

YD: Well, shall we battle?

YY: Yeah, bring it on!

AND ONE TOUCH WOUNDS!
THE LIGHT FROM HER EYES CUTS LIKE A KNIFE!
YONDAY PINUP #9
SHE'S A BAD GIRL!
浜木八重。
YAE HAMAKI
Just Kiddin'!

Good morning! But... swimsuits?!

イヤ須

黒くて板だし

全然目立たまみ

What're you looking at?

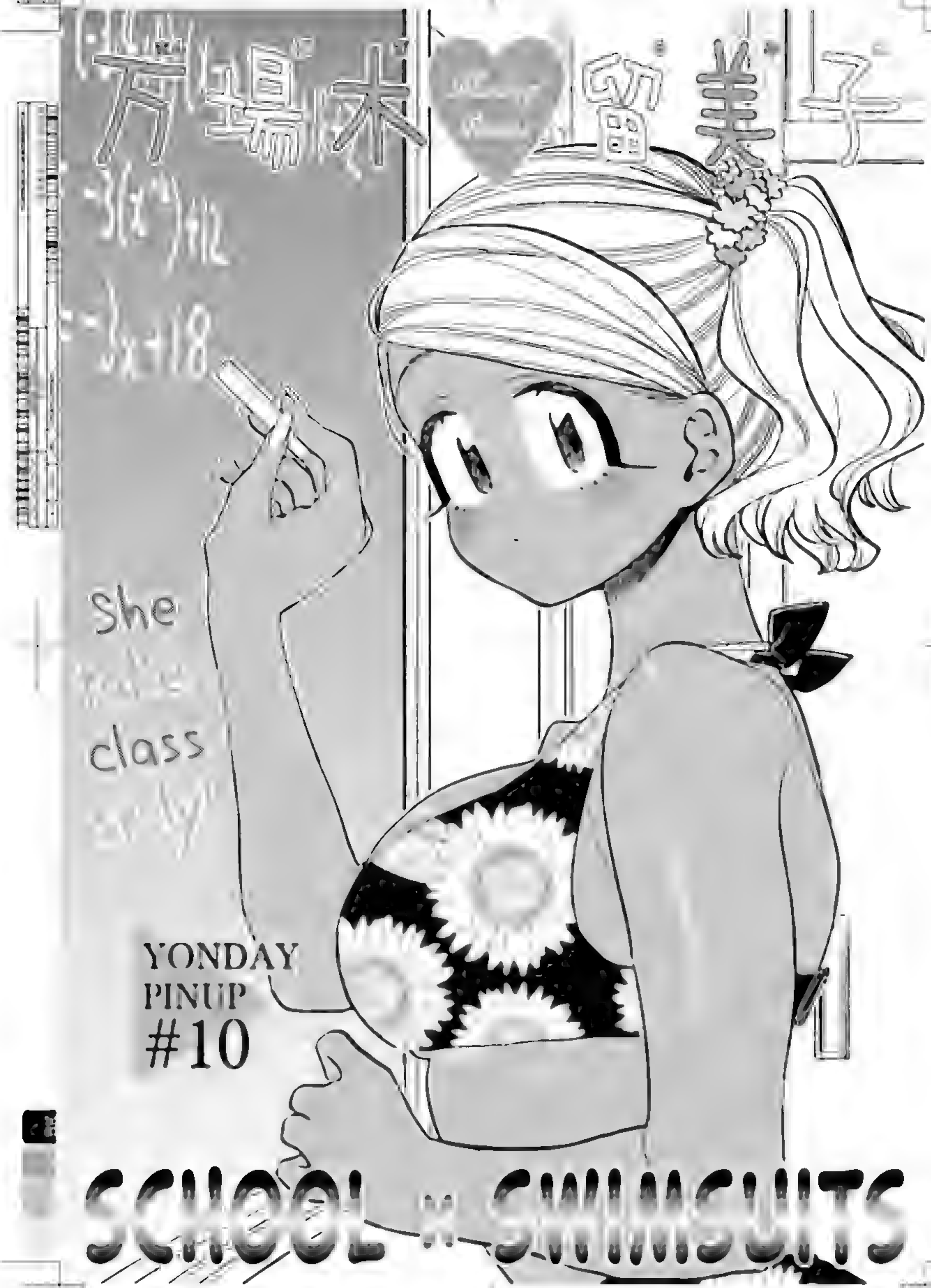
Leopard print underneath

私服白木

The gyaru with smarts!

由佳

GYARU



YONDAY
PINUP
#10

SCHOOL SWIMSUITS

YAKUNA KATO

ヤクナカトー

YONDAY PINUP #11

MEET THE PHENOM SHOGI PLAYER MIKUNI KATO'S MOM!
—HOW DID YOU RAISE YOUR DAUGHTER?
WELL, I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING SPECIAL. BUT I WANTED TO FOSTER HER DEVELOPMENT, SO I TRIED TO PROVIDE AN ENVIRONMENT THAT WOULD ENCOURAGE A FOCUS ON SHOGI.
—YOU HAVE THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SKIN. WHAT'S YOUR SECRET?

I DON'T DO ANYTHING SPECIAL FOR THAT EITHER. BUT I DO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO CARE FOR MYSELF IN BODY AND SOUL.
SO MAYBE THAT'S IT.

MIKUNI KATO'S COMMENT

I REFUSED THIS INTERVIEW AND NEVER EXPECTED MY MOM TO ACCEPT INSTEAD! I REALLY WISH SHE HADN'T. IT'S EMBARRASSING.

SHOKO KOMI

YONDAY PINUP #12

古見さんは、

硝子

ANNUALLY SHONEN YONDAY PRESENTS

She doesn't need words to express herself.

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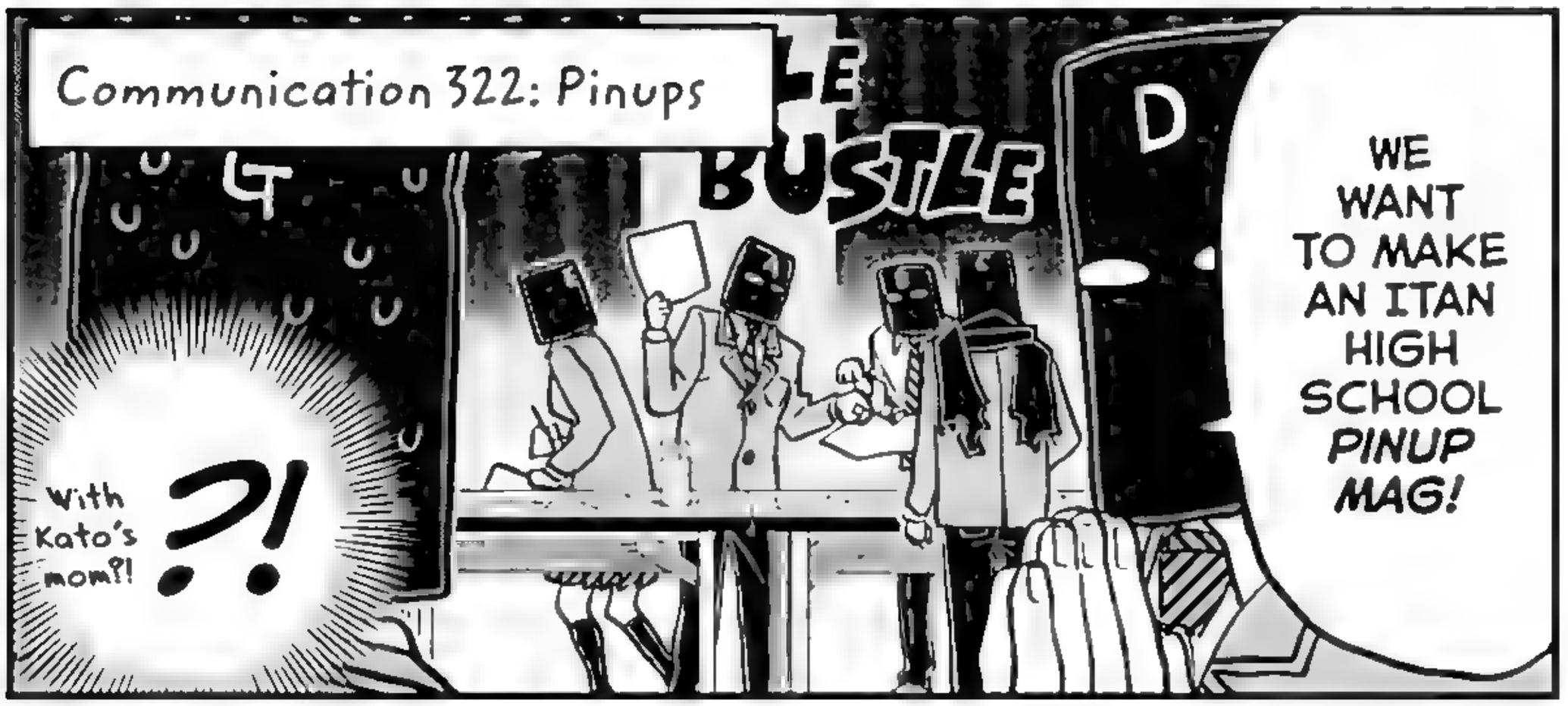
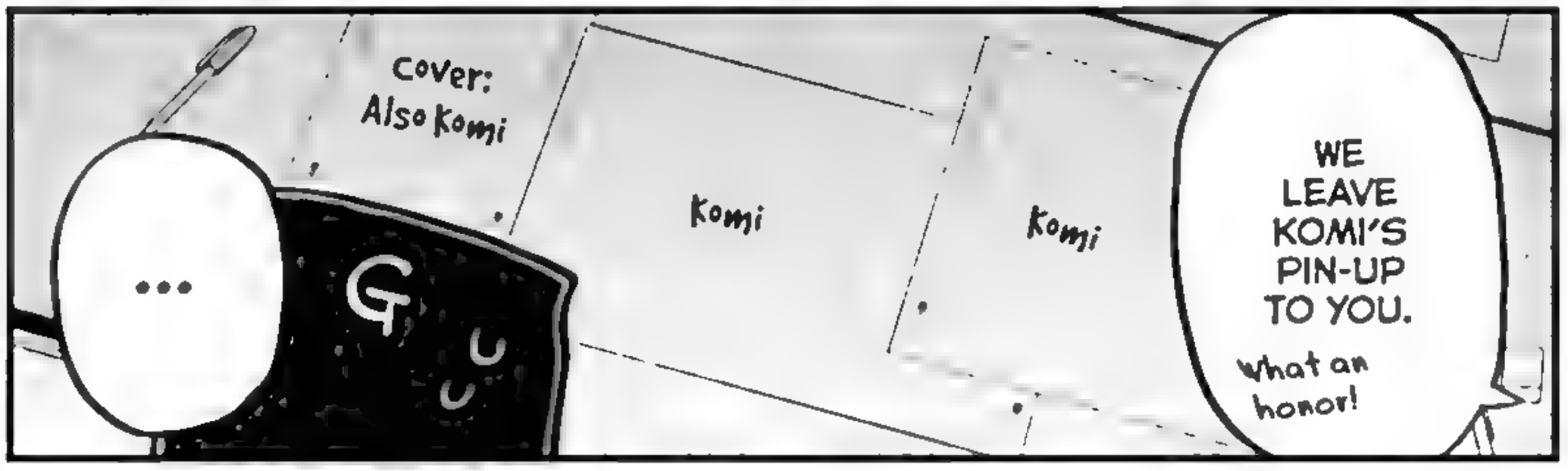
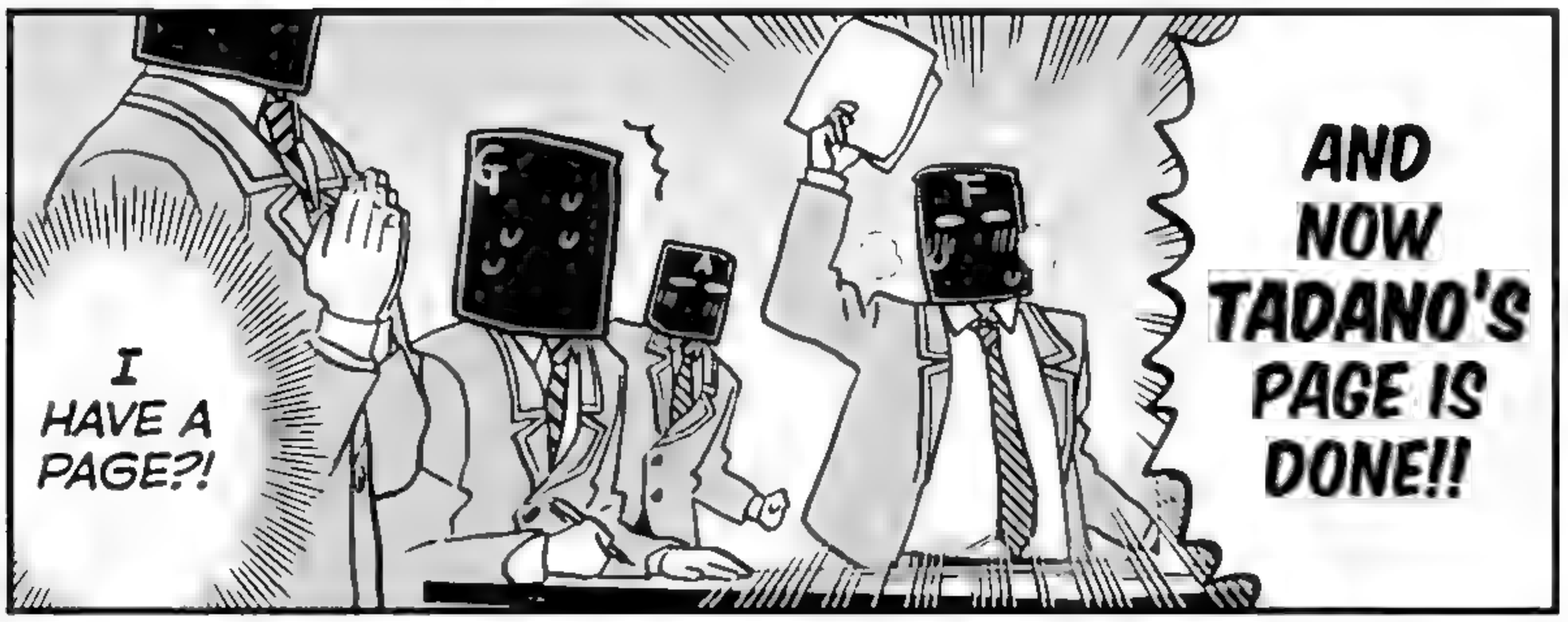
Communication 322: Pinups







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Komi Can't Communicate

Communication 323: Year Two Closing Ceremony

*Komi's Book of Friends is a notebook with the names of Komi's friends. Makes sense, right?

!!

GRIN

ITAN

SHOW ME KOMI'S BOOK OF FRIENDS.

MAKE MANY NEW FRIENDS THIS YEAR?

Autumn midterm (see volume 19)

!!!

...

...HAVE YOU MADE ANY FRIENDS RECENTLY?

FWIP FWIP

...RIGHT?

...BUT YOU'VE WORKED HARD...

YOUR MIDTERM PERFOR-MANCE WAS PITIFUL ...

...SINCE THEN ...

SNIFF SNIFF

!!

ITAN

HUH? ONLY FIVE MORE? AND I INTRODUCED THREE OF THEM!

KOMI'S BOOK OF FRIENDS

?!

SWUB SWUB

ITAN

Maybe your boyfriend is all you need?

HM? THERE AREN'T MANY CLASSMATES IN HERE.
FWIP FWIP

!
WHY? WE'RE ALL FRIENDS!

!!
GACK
Missed her moment to ask them
SWIP SWIP
DON'T YOU THINK OF THEM AS FRIENDS?
EVEN KOMETANI AND NARUSE AREN'T LISTED.

Najimi keeps bringing that up.
!!!
ITAN
BUT YOU HAVE A BOYFRIEND NOW...
...RIGHT?

SKRK SKRK

CHAK

...

Yeah, just do it!

SWIP

"I'll go ask them to write their names."

Aw, just do it!

TREMBLE

"...but what if they feel other-wise?"

"I think of every-one as my friend ..."

GLANCE

GWUP
!
Just do it!
HMF
!

SHE RARELY DOES THAT ANY-MORE!

BABMP BABMP

?!

TWITCH TWITCH

TRMBL TRMBL

TRMBL

W-
WE'RE
...
...
FRIENDS...
GU (?)...
RIGHT?

!

...SORRY IF WE'RE NOT.

YES. UM, I THINK SO, BUT...

!

KOMI'S BOOK OF FRIENDS

PLEASE, WRITE YOUR NAMES...

...HERE.

OF COURSE!
OKAY!
Otherwise, nobody writes nuthin'!
TAP TAP
But you gotta do a comedy bit first!
ARE WE IN HELL?!
*Bodo's knee-slapping comedy appears after this chapter!
?!
?!
OKAY, FINE! AFTER ALL, WE'VE LEARNED COMEDY FROM YOUR ANTICS!

HAHAHAHAHA
WE DID IT!
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP
HEH HEH ...
?
GLANCE
GLANCE
...

MY NAME IS KUROKO USUI.

I'M THE CLASS'S GHOSTLY 33RD STUDENT.

BUT I DON'T NEED TO STAND OUT, SO I SPEND MOST OF MY TIME ASSISTING OTHER PEOPLE BEHIND THE SCENES.

I'M TOO UNNO-TICEABLE TO BE A SIGNIFICANT CHARACTER IN A MANGA.

THE AUTHOR HAS PROBABLY FORGOT-TEN ABOUT ME ANYWAY.

*He showed up in one panel.

...

...

→ Student in front of her.

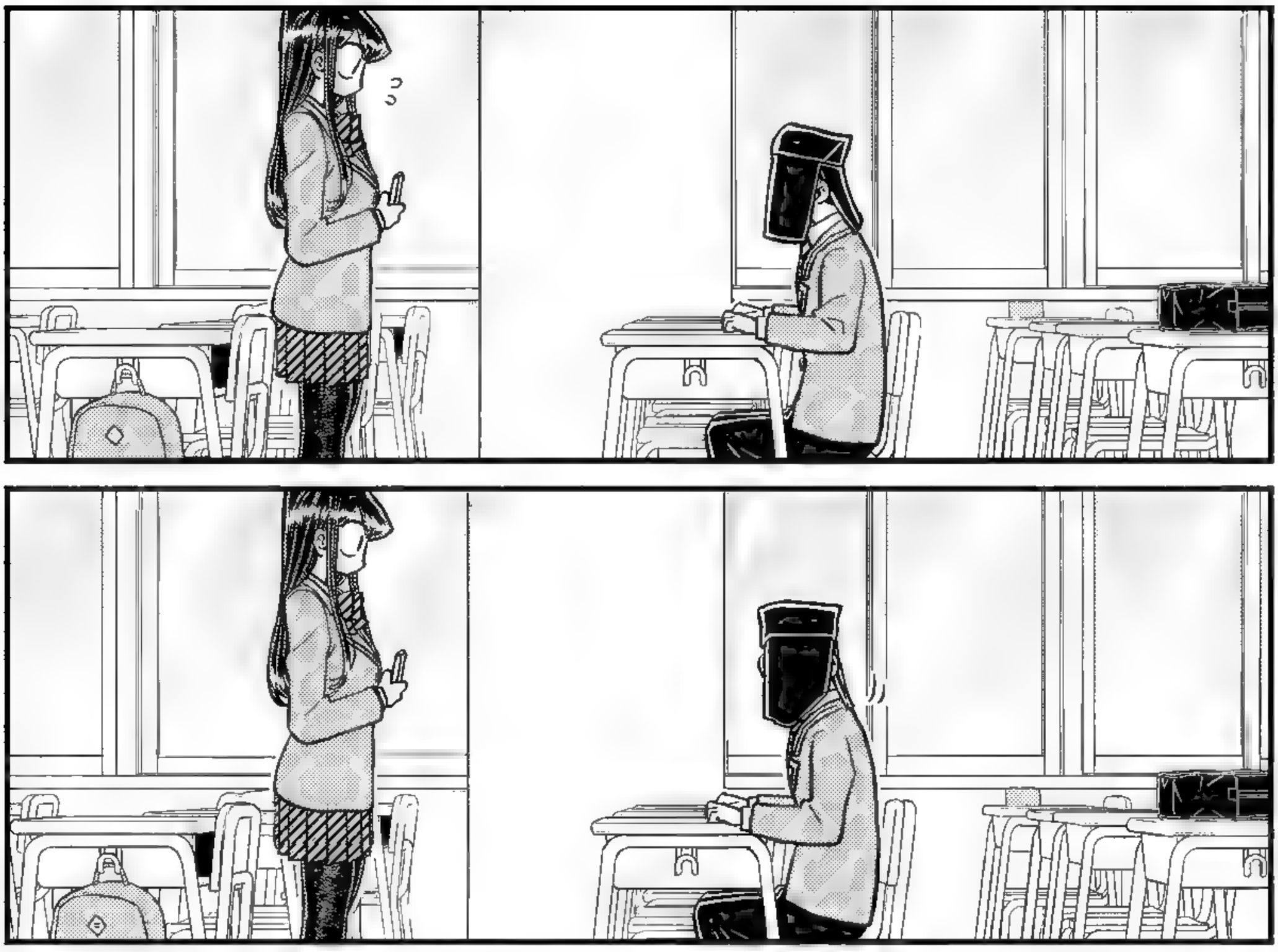
PASS BACK THIS PRINT-OUT.

I DOUBT ANY OTHER STUDENT HAS NOTICED ME.

I JUST WANT EVERYONE TO ENJOY THEM-SELVES.

ANY DISPLAYS OF GRATITUDE OR VEXATION ARE UNWELCOME TO ME.

GYAAAH
Keep that bug away, Najimi!
MAYBE BECAUSE OF NAJIMI'S ANTICS.
CLASS 2-1 WAS A GOOD CLASS.
EVERY-ONE WAS FRIENDLY AND HAD FUN.
YEAH ...
SWOOO
*He's already return-ing home.
...I GREW TO LOVE...
... CLASS ...
... THIS ...
?!
UM...
...AHEM.



...?
NOD
YOU CAN SEE ME?
HUH?

THEY KNOW I EXIST ?!
YOU ALWAYS SEEMED BUSY, SO YOU WERE HARD TO APPROACH.
YOUR HEAD-GEAR STANDS OUT.
THRONG
THRONG
THRONG
YEAH, HE TALKED.
BUT HAVE YOU TALKED BEFORE ?
OF COURSE WE CAN!

...!

AND YOU DID LOTS OF ODD JOBS!

AND SCREW-DRIVERS AND WRENCHES!

AND YOU ALWAYS HAD PENS, SCISSORS, AND TAPE!

YOU WERE A BIG HELP AT THE CULTURE FESTIVAL AND TEST OF COUR-AGE!

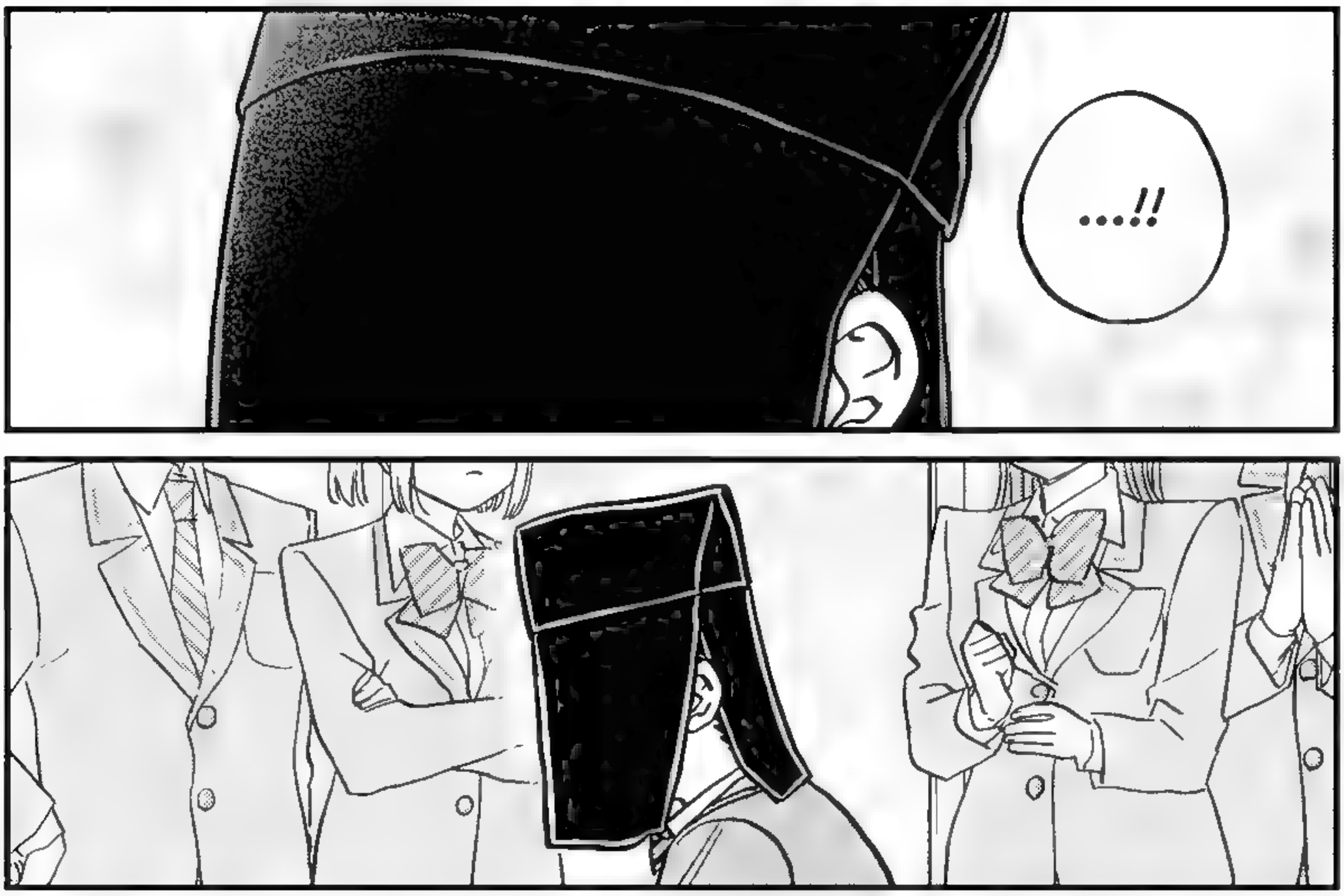
UM...

...YOUR NAME...

KOMI'S BOOK OF FRIEND

...

PLEASE.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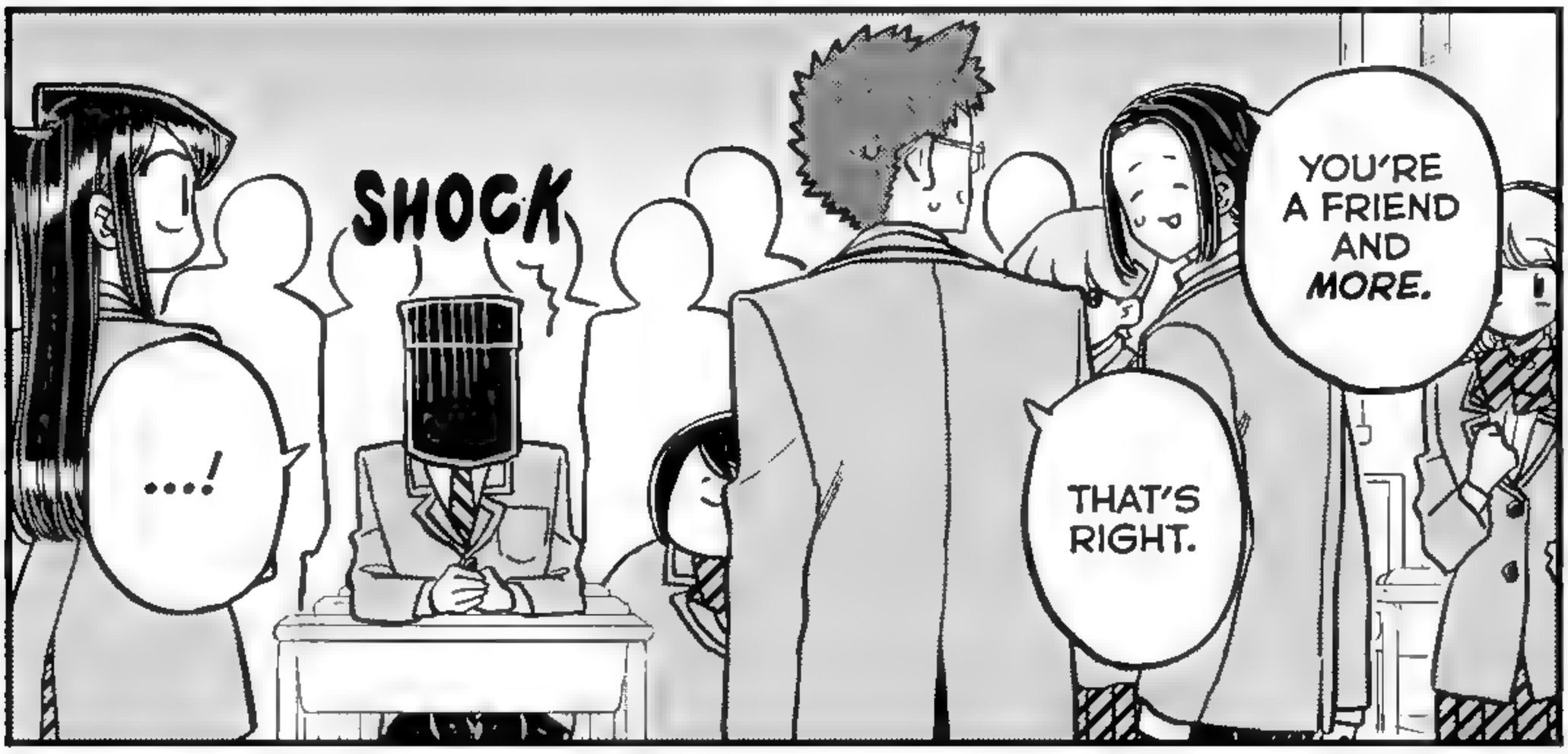
...EVEN THOUGH I NEVER TALKED?
AM I REALLY YOUR FRIEND...


SHOCK
...!
YOU'RE A FRIEND AND MORE.
THAT'S RIGHT.

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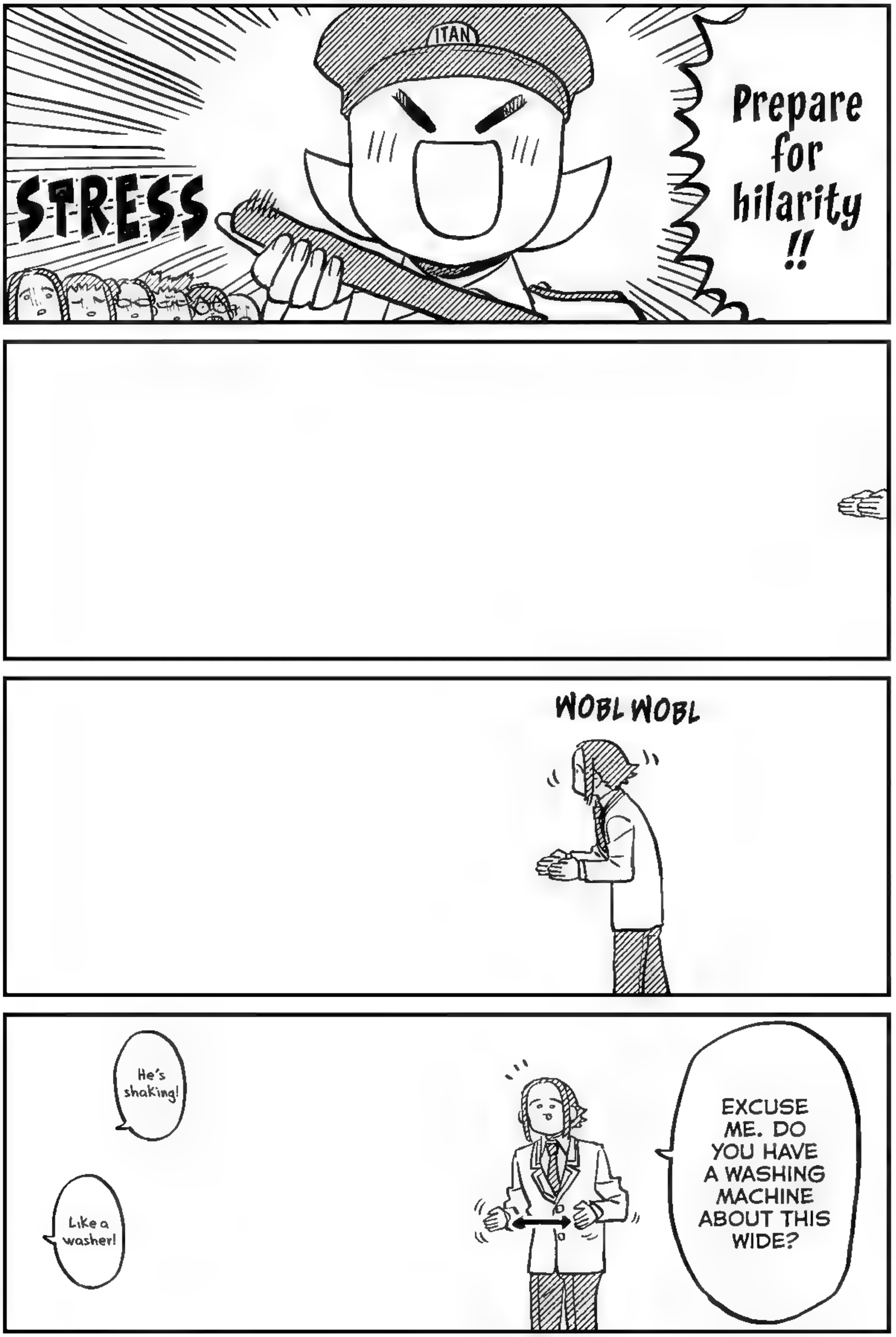
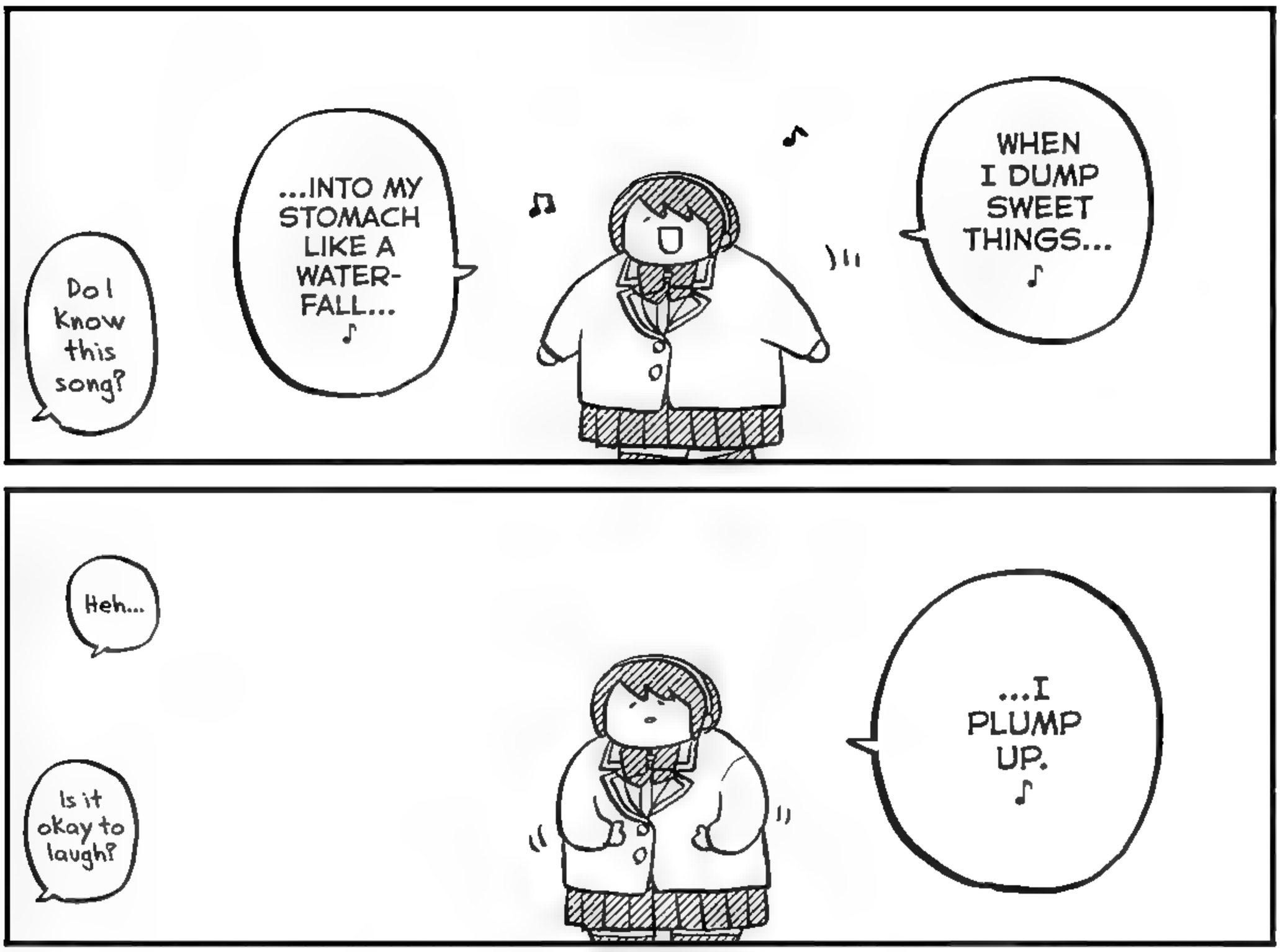
He had an infinite reper-toire.

ONO NO KOMACHI IS IN THE HOUSE!!! (A FAMOUS POETESS)

Komi Can't Communicate




Do I know this song?
...INTO MY STOMACH LIKE A WATER-FALL... ♪
WHEN I DUMP SWEET THINGS... ♪
Heh...
Is it okay to laugh?
...I PLUMP UP. ♪
WAH !!
SWIF
SWUF
S
Not funny.
Yes, it is!!
HOLY MOLE-Y!
WHAT I THOUGHT WAS A BUG WAS A MOLE!

HELLO, I'M MEN KICHO.

...AND I'M *MEN*-DACIOUS, *MEN*-ACING AND TOTALLY ...

... men-tal!

A self-intro joke?

At least he really sold it.

...BUT CHANGING THE "I" TO "O" MAKES...

HM? *IPPAI* MEANS "FULL" IN JAPANESE...

She finally noticed.

She just wanted to say that.

Look at that smile.

OPPAI! **WHICH MEANS BOOBS!!**

?!

...BEAT-BOX.

I WILL NOW, UM...

?!

Wow.

Not bad at all.

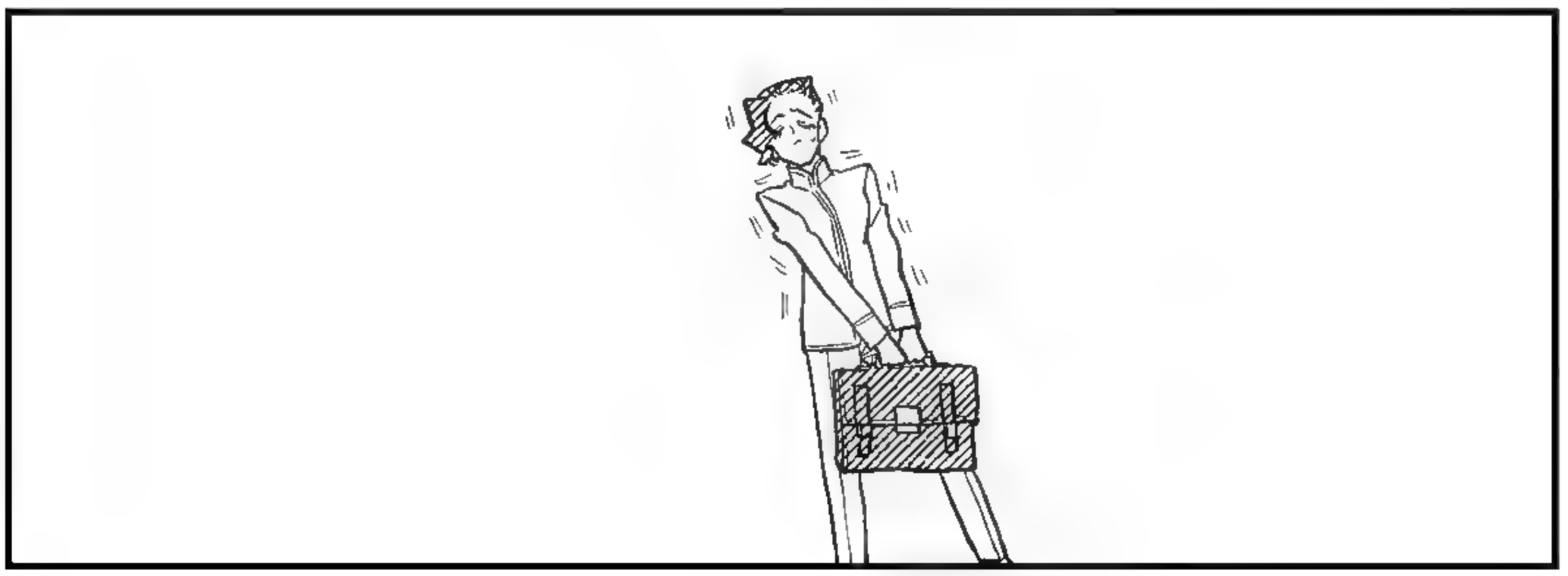
...TSS SSS!

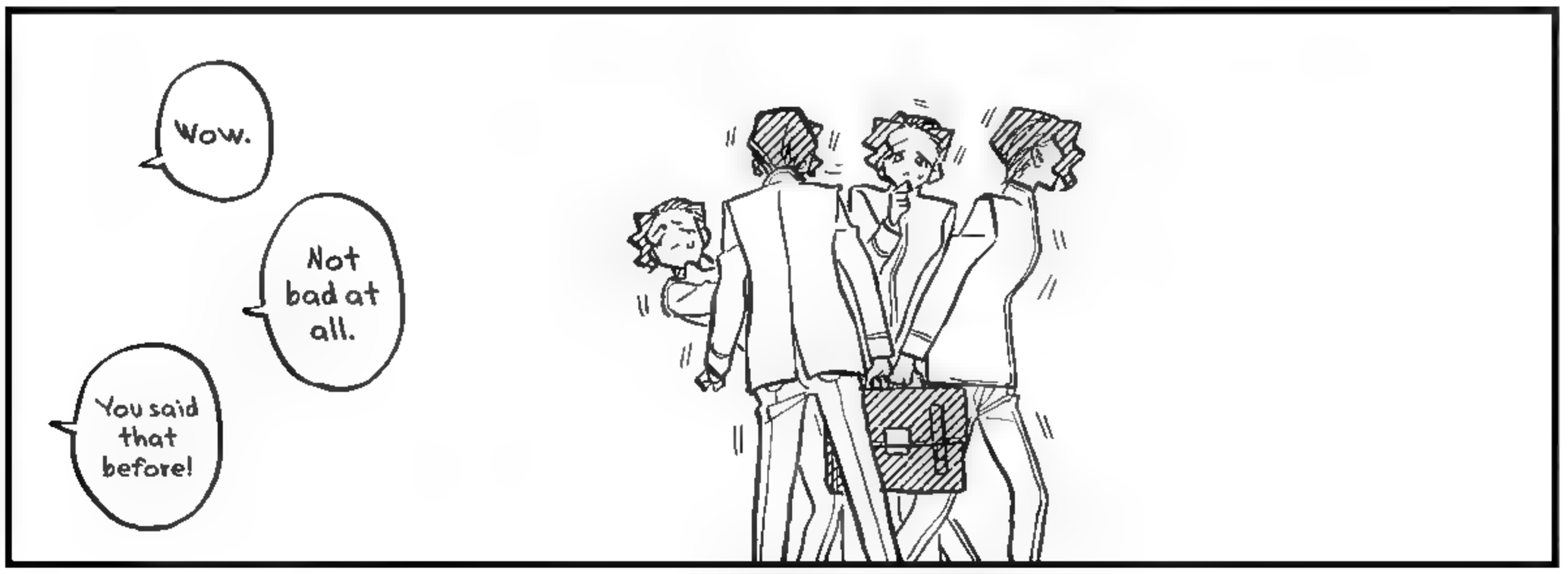
A-A-ATOOTSKA-DOOTSKA-DOOTSKU-DOOTSKA-DADOOSH-SHKA-PATSTA-HITSKU-PANTSKA-KUTSKU-DADA-BOOSHKA-BOOSH-BA-DUMP-BUMP...

BONK

Please. Stop.

I BEAT THE BUDDHA.




Wow.
Not bad at all.
You said that before!

FALL IS FINALLY HERE... ♪

...BUT IF YOU EAT TOO MANY MATSUTAKE MUSH-ROOMS... ♪

A rich girl's gag.

It shows person-ality. Rude.

Whew...

...YOU MIGHT *FALL* SICK OF THEM AND BURN OUT! ♪

Every-one's so sing-songy.

WHAT I'VE GOT IN MY POCKET... ♪

Hello?

Again, shows person-ality. So rude.

...IS A BIG HONKIN' SHOULDER PHONE!

A diet com-mercial?

... before!

*This is what I looked like...

Did some-thing change?

We don't get it.

*Now meet the new me!

Komi had to do it too.

Aw, she's still cute!!

Was that a joke?

To-tally!!

Uh-huh!!

Ador-able!!

"If you read repaper back-wards, it's still repaper."

Bonus Communication—The End

Komi Can't Communicate

Communication 324: Third Year

GYOINK

But thinking that wakes her up.

"I should get some sleep."

Panicking as the seconds tick away

HUFF

HUFF

HUFF

TIK TOK TIK TOK TIK TOK TIK TOK TIK TOK

Consid-ering sending a text to Tadano

*She's usually asleep by now.

Time: 11:26 p.m.

But it's too late.

...

BIP BIP BIP

To TADANO, HI[illegible]HITO

RE: SORRY IT'S LA[illegible]

ARE YOU AWAKE?

Decided against it

KTK

Recon-sidering it

PWOK

...but ...

KTAK KTAK KTAK KTAK KTAK

After all, he might be asleep...

Phone vibrating

VVVVV

VOLT

!

At this hour, that would be...

...super annoying!

Realizing the notification might wake him

GAAAAAACK

Immediate regret

HMPH

Sending

...

TADANO, HITOHITO

RE: SORRY IT'S LATE

I'M AWAKE. I JUST HAD A BATH. WHAT'S UP?

VVVVV

"Shall I call you?"

!

BIP BIP

"Sorry. I couldn't sleep, so I texted you."

BUT BUT BUT

!!

"Yes, please."

ACK ACK ACK

...!

...!

...!

UM, HELLO?

Glad to hear his voice

• • •

H-HELLO.

OH... SORRY.

C C C

UM, KOMI?

YES.

YOU SOUND DOWN. ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

!

...AND IF YOU'LL DO ALL RIGHT.

KIND OF MAKES YOU WONDER ABOUT YOUR CLASSMATES ...

WE START A NEW YEAR TOMORROW.

...

...

OR ...?!

N-NO!

OR... YES!!

MAYBE JUST TOO MUCH COFFEE?

OR... NOT?

YES, I'M WORRIED ABOUT TOMORROW.
?
THAT'S UNDER-STANDABLE.
?
YES...
...I THINK SO.
WILL YOU BE AWAKE AWHILE ?
?
OKAY.
??
I NEED TO HANG UP A SEC.
CAN YOU WAIT TEN MINUTES?

...SHE WAITS.
WIDE AWAKE
T-20
T-20
BWA
SOFT
RE SORRY IT S LATE
UM...I M OUTSIDE.
?

ピンポン

!

ソロリ
Phone
ヤヤヤヤヤヤ
...

SHOW ME YOUR FACE.
OKAY.
N... NOD NOD
...!
?!
...SO I'LL GO NOW.
I SHOULDN'T BE OUT THIS LATE...

UM...
TEXT ME WHEN YOU GET HOME...
...SO I KNOW YOU'RE SAFE.
...THANK YOU FOR COMING.
...!
I WILL!
ALL RIGHT!

DOZE
DOZE
!
...!
To TADANO, HITOHITO
Sub RE: SORRY IT'S LATE
I WISH I COULD EASE YOUR WORRIES.
WHICH REMINDS ME

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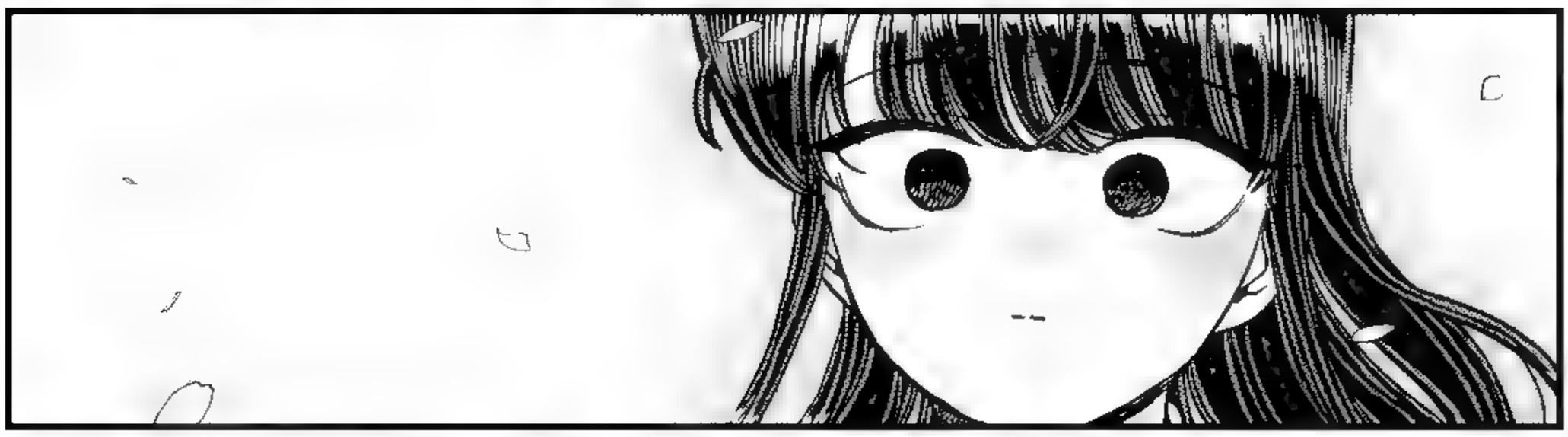

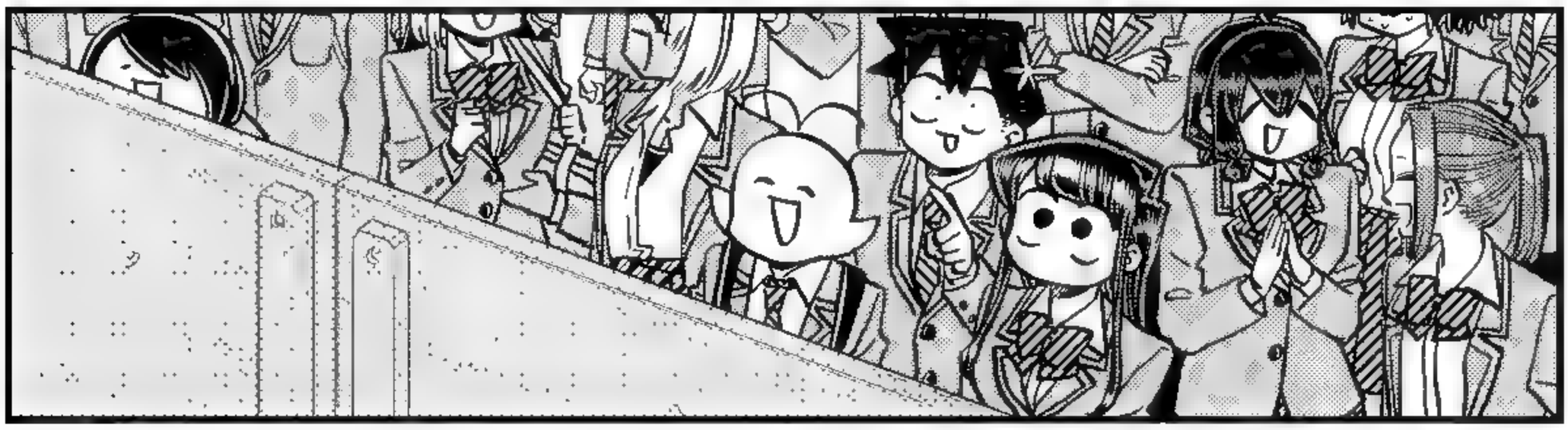

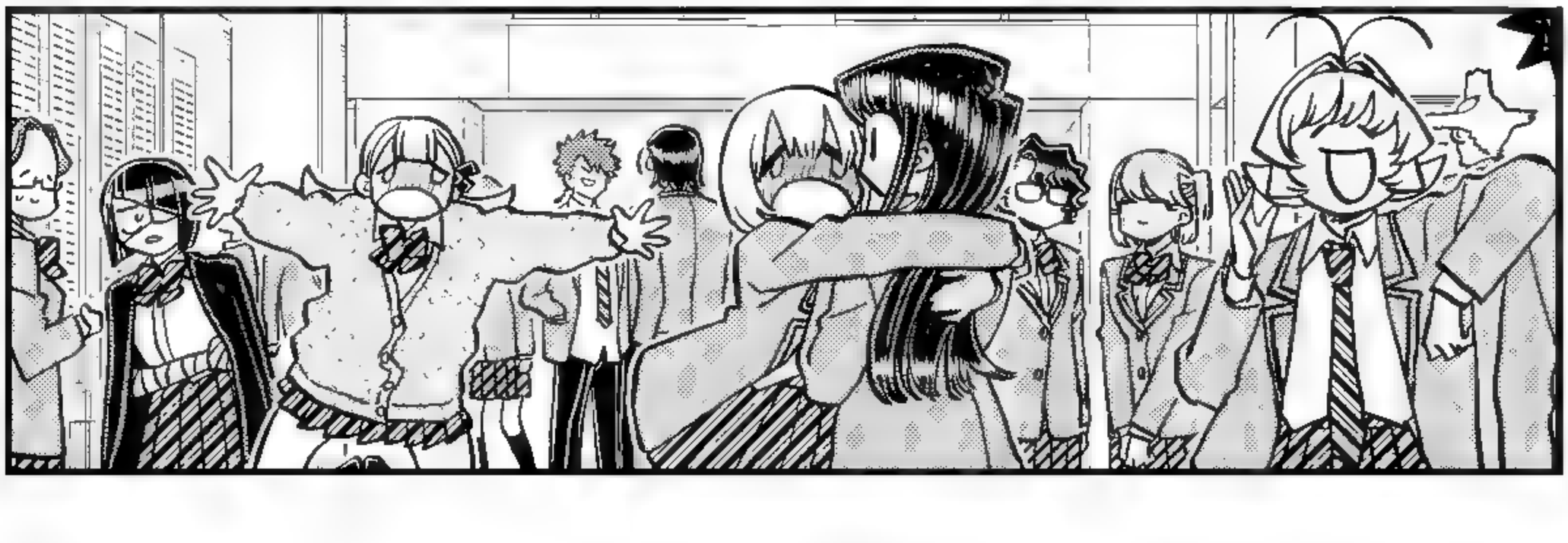

CHAK
CHAK

...

Bwah!

STAAAAARE

Sits in front of them

?!

INTENSE WORRY!

TREMBL TREMBL

JOLT JOLT

SHUDDER

Communication 324 — The End

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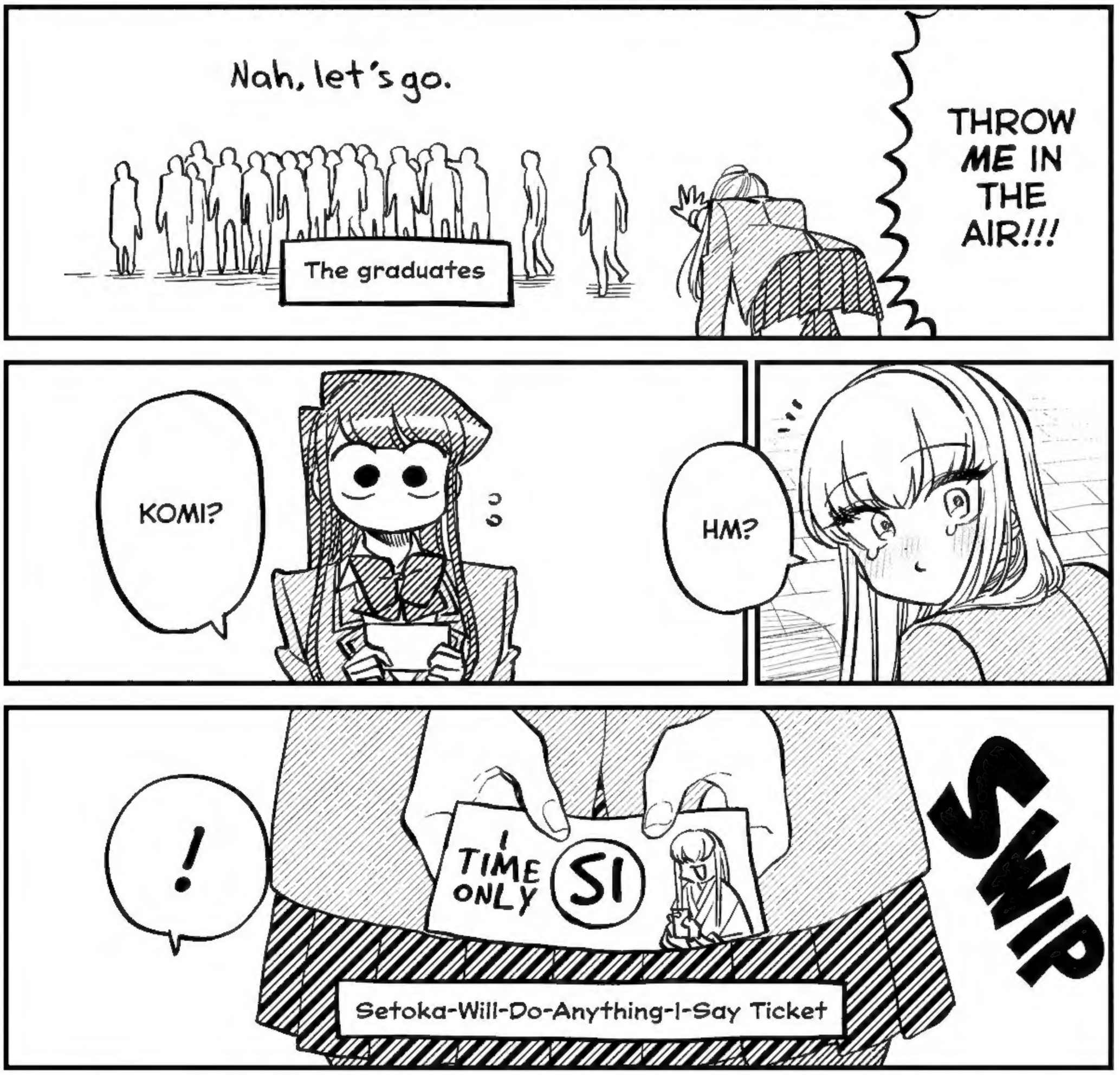
Can Komi Make 100 Friends?: Former Student Council President



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P...

PLEASE BE...

...MY FRIEND.

SNATCH

RRIP RRIP

Only 34 to go!

Wonders if she shouldn't have used it

SA-WEEEEET! IS THAT OKAY?! FOR REALSIES?! YOU GOT IT! NOW WE'RE BESTIES!! WOO-HOO, SHOKO-CHIN! WHAT COLOR IS YOUR NETHER-WEAR TODAY?!

Heh...

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Tomohito Oda won the grand prize for *World Worst One* in the 70th Shogakukan New Comic Artist Awards in 2012. Oda's series *Digicon*, about a tough high school girl who finds herself in control of an alien with plans for world domination, ran from 2014 to 2015. In 2015, *Komi Can't Communicate* debuted as a one-shot in *Weekly Shonen Sunday* and was picked up as a full series by the same magazine in 2016.

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